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PM favours U.S. news over ours

MEDIA Say it ain't so, prime minister.

Even Stephen Harper's own cabinet seems to be having trouble accepting that the man with the famously frosty relationship to the national news media doesn't consume Canadian news.

"I tend to watch American news," Harper said this week during a question-and-answer session at an event in Toronto. "I don't like to watch Canadian news and hear what Allan (Gregg) and everybody else is saying about me. My hobby is to watch politics elsewhere."

Peter Kent, the junior foreign minister and a former Global TV newscaster, said Harper "absolutely" watches Canadian news, but backed off when pressed.

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PETA event

Campaign

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Canadian starlet and animal rights activist Pamela Anderson put her star power to work Thursday, hosting an intimate and exclusive gathering in support of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) at Ultra on Queen Street West. The event helped launch a new ad campaign against the Canadian seal hunt. Anderson was joined by PETA vice-president Dan Mathews, left, and musician/designer Richie Rich. The campaign calls for an end to the annual Canadian seal hunt.

Hole gets bigger

Ontario deficit jumps to $24.7B amid revenue drop

The beating Ontario has suffered at the hands of the global recession has taken a staggering economic toll, with the province announcing Thursday it expects to be almost $25 billion in the red this fiscal year.

That historic deficit figure is some 50 times larger than the half-billion-dollar shortfall laid out just 12 months ago when the McGuinty government threw in the towel on its balanced budget plan and warned of dark clouds on the economic horizon.

The figures in Thursday's fall economic statement also represent a dramatic leap in deficit projections for 2009-10, from the $14.1-billion forecast in the March budget and the revised June prediction of $18.5 billion.

The $24.7-billion deficit figure was blamed on a 48.1 per cent drop in corporate tax revenues — which amounted to a $5.8-billion loss in provincial revenue. At the same time, the government is increasing its expenditures by $4.8 billion to $113.7 billion amid further investments in skills training, the auto sector, and health care. THE CANADIAN PRESS

$21.1B Ontario is now projecting ongoing deficits of $21.1 billion in 2010-11 and $19.4 billion the following year. Gross domestic product is expected to decline 3.5 per cent this year, followed by modest gains of two per cent next year and three per cent in 2011.

Everyone is feeling the pinch

Provinces and territories across Canada are feeling the drain of a global economic crisis:

Ontario: The province projects a record deficit of $24.7 billion for 2009-10.

Alberta: Initially, the government predicted a record budget deficit of $4.7 billion, but that number has since ballooned to $7 billion.

Quebec: Foresees four consecutive deficits, starting with $3.9 billion in 2009-10.

British Columbia: Budget includes a $2.8-billion shortfall for the fiscal year 2009, a B.C. record that tops the $2.6-billion deficit in 2002.

Newfoundland and Labrador: Forecasts a $750-million deficit for 2009-10, a heavy drop from the $2.4-billion surplus recorded last year.

New Brunswick: Projects a $741-million deficit and 700 jobs cut from the civil service in a budget presented in the spring.

Nova Scotia: The province's first NDP government projects a $592-million deficit for this fiscal year.

Prince Edward Island: Predicts an $85.3-million deficit and an increase in the net debt to $1.6 billion by next year.

Northwest Territories: Forecasts an $81-million deficit on a budget of $1.3 billion.

Nunavut: Total revenue is up five per cent to $1.25 billion, but $29-million shortfall predicted.

Yukon: Record $1-billion budget projects a surplus of $19 million.

Manitoba: Tabled a $12.7-billion budget with a $48-million surplus, but the government had to dip into its rainy-day fund.

Saskatchewan: Originally projected a $424.5-million budget surplus, but that number has shrunk to $50 million because of a $1.3-billion drop in potash revenues.

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Markham man faces child porn charges

Police seized computer equipment from a residence in Markham Thursday and charged a man with child pornography offences. Between August and this month, police say they received information that led them to believe a man in the Toronto-area community was in possession of child pornography. They obtained a search warrant and seized a number of computer hard drives along with storage media. Gregory William Lock, 51, is charged with possession and distribution of child pornography, and breach of probation. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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A GO train adorned with Conservative advertising pulls into Union Station Wednesday afternoon.

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Tories GO on rails with ads

Two Lakeshore train cars wrapped in 'action plan' promo

The Conservative government has spent more than $46,000 to turn two GO train cars into rolling advertisements along the Lakeshore line for its stimulus spending program.

The opposition parties have criticized the Conservatives for wasting money on self-promotion rather than spending scarce public dollars on informing the public about such matters as the H1N1 virus.

Faisal Rasheed of Toronto's WestPalm Media, an advertising firm contracted to sell ads on the provincially owned GO Transit system, said ordinarily the rate to wrap a train car is $75,000 for eight weeks. Rasheed said the federal government prohibited him from revealing details of the contract, including how many train cars were involved.

Chris Day, spokesman for Transport and Infrastructure Minister John Baird, said the money is well spent, and the deal is for far less than the going rate.

"We paid $44,000 net (before taxes) to fully cover both sides of two cars … and as such our innovative ad campaign can be seen for 10 weeks," Day said. "We think this is good value for Canadian taxpayers." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ontarians ditch savings habit?

POLL An Ipsos Reid poll done for RBC Financial suggests many Canadians are letting their saving habits slide. The poll found one-third of those who responded were saving less than in the past, with only one-in-five saying they were putting more away for a rainy day.

The poll suggests residents of Ontario and British Columbia top the list of those saving less.

But Sun Life Financial says its phone survey found that 60 per cent had reduced their debt, with 59 per cent saying they spent less since January. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Same-sex couple test Russian law

WEDDING Russian lesbians Irina Fedotova-Fet, 30, and her partner Irina Shipitko, 32, twice denied a marriage in their country, arrived in Toronto Thursday and are getting married Friday.

"All we wanted was to be together … married like any other heterosexual couple," said Fedotova-Fet in Russian. "It took a long while but it's finally going to happen."

In May, their request was turned down almost immediately by the Moscow State Registry Office, on the grounds that the Russian Family Code only permits marriage between a man and a woman. That decision was upheld by the Tverskoi District Court Oct. 6. But Russian law recognizes international marriages, and doesn't specifically require spouses married abroad to be different sexes.

Irina Shipitko, left, and Irina Fedotova-Fet were denied a request to get married in Russia.

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The two women will get married at City Hall and plan to head back to Russia Tuesday, where they will try to get their Canadian marriage licence recognized.

The two Irinas are staying with volunteers from EGALE, who will host a private reception for the newlyweds Friday night. It will be attended by locals who fought Canada's same-sex marriage battle. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Skinner recalled as generous, popular

CRIME Toronto homicide Det. Stacy Gallant says he is aghast at what he has learned about the murder of Christopher Skinner. The 27-year-old was remembered at a memorial service Thursday at St. Paul's Leaskdale Church near the town of Uxbridge as vivacious, generous, inimitably funny and extraordinarily popular.

Gallant released a video clip, from a surveillance camera, of a black SUV.

"That, we believe, is the SUV involved in the murder of Christopher Skinner," he said.

Skinner, a gay man, was engaged to be married. Neither fiancé Ryan Cooke nor Skinner's parents spoke at the service.

Skinner, who attended gifted classes in his youth, was elected co-president of his high school student council. He graduated from Ryerson University. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Incident

- Shortly after 3 a.m. Sunday, witnesses told police, Skinner was beaten by two to four men at Victoria and Adelaide streets and left lying on the pavement in front of a black SUV. According to their accounts, the vehicle's driver then deliberately drove over Skinner.

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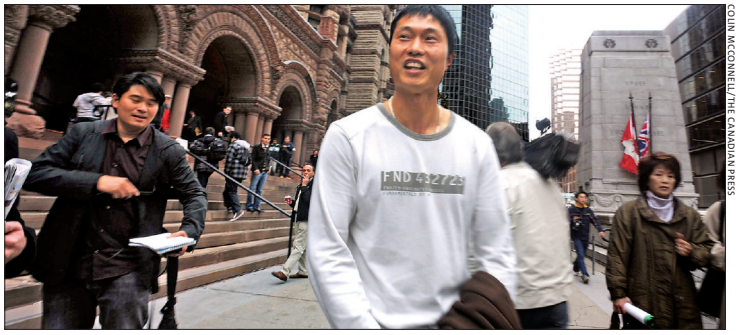
Reeve's lawyers seek dismissal

Lawyers for Keanu Reeves are heading to family court in January to ask a judge to dismiss a request from a Barrie woman for millions in child and spousal support after a recent paternity test showed the actor did not father one of her children. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



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Shopkeeper Wang (David) Chen, who is charged with kidnapping, leaves old city hall today after pre-trial hearing. Chen allegedly chased down and detained a suspected thief.

Shopkeeper's trial for kidnapping delayed

Crown considering whether to continue case

The trial of a Toronto shopkeeper accused of chasing, tackling and tying up a suspected thief is being put over to next month as the Crown decides whether he will continue to face kidnapping charges.

Wang (David) Chen, who owns the Lucky Moose Food Mart, was charged on May 28 with kidnapping, forcible confinement and assault of an accused shoplifter.

Surveillance video at Chen's supermarket caught a man stealing $50 worth of plants.

When the man returned an hour later, the shopkeeper and employees began to question him.

The man fled and Chen and two employees allegedly chased him down, tied him up and put him in a delivery truck to await police.

The three were arrested and charged.

Their alleged victim pleaded guilty to two counts of theft in August but was given a lighter sentence because he agreed to testify against Chen.

Chen has won vocal support from members of his community, some of whom started the Victims' Rights Action Committee after the charges were laid.

His lawyer, Peter Lindsay, said outside court today that pre-trial meetings with the Crown counsel were "not very productive."

Chen will reappear in court Nov. 3, when the Crown is expected to announce whether kidnapping charges will be pursued. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Toronto human rights group takes up case of Sri Lankans

HEARINGS Members of a Toronto-based human rights group say 76 Sri Lankans detained after they arrived off the B.C. coast in a rusty freighter are entitled by law to timely refugee hearings.

Todd Ross of Canadian Human Rights Voice says members of the group have come to Vancouver because they're concerned about whether the men are getting that.

Potential refugee claimants detained in Canada must have a detention review hearing within 48 hours after entering the country.

But so far, only 16 of the men have had hearings before the Immigration and Refugee Board since being taken into custody on Saturday, and all have been denied release because they're considered a flight risk.

Ross says about 60 Tamil families from across Canada have offered to house the men or support them while they go through the refugee claims process.

The Canadian Tamil Congress says the men risked their lives to flee persecution in a country embroiled in the aftermath of a bloody 26-year civil war.

Immigration Minister Jason Kenney says the RCMP are investigating the migrants to determine if any of them have any connections to terrorist or criminal organizations. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Demand growing for smoke-free apartments, condos, group says

LAW The demand for smoke-free apartments and condominiums is gathering momentum in Ontario, according to the Non-Smokers' Rights Association.

Yesterday, Peel Region's general committee rejected the idea of passing a bylaw banning smoking in such buildings because officials said restricting tenants' rights to do what they wish in their own homes wouldn't stand up in court. But the committee did decide to ask the province for legislation that would protect residents of multi-unit buildings from second-hand smoke through various measures such as changes to the Ontario Building Code.

A decision by Waterloo to phase out smoking in social housing by requiring tenants after April 1 to sign leases with no-smoking provisions, and a similar proposal being considered in Hamilton, will have a "domino effect," predicts Pippa Beck, policy analyst for the non-smokers' group.

"Every day we're getting calls from tenants and condo owners who are desperate to escape the smoke," she said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Factory evacuated in Vaughan shed fire

Fire officials evacuated a factory in Vaughan following a fire at a shed near Highway 7 and Keele Street around 4 p.m. on Thursday. Vaughan Platoon Chief Bruce Rumble said the shed was completely destroyed and one truck caught on fire. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

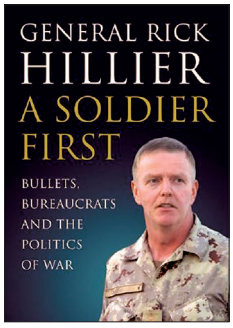
Violence won't stop: Hillier

Afghan pullout will hurt security, says former defence chief

Pulling Canadian soldiers from Afghanistan in 2011 will leave a gaping hole in security efforts and won't necessarily ensure the end of combat operations, former chief of defence staff Gen. Rick Hillier says.

As MPs prepare to debate the future of the country's military mission in Afghanistan, Hillier delivered some plain-spoken advice in an interview with the Toronto Star: Don't trust the twisted rhetoric and outright lies that will surely be delivered by the Conservative government or opposition parties.

There will still be a need for security and counter-insurgency operations when Canada's current mandate expires in 2011, he said. If experienced Canadian troops leave Kanadhar, some other nation, likely less familiar with the local terrain and power brokers, will have to do the job.



Gen. Rick Hillier, Canada's former chief of defence staff, is promoting his new book.

Hillier also said there's also no need for Canadian troops, except in Kandahar or the northeast, and there's no way Canada can carry out a goodwill mission without encountering frequent violence.

"If you stay in the south and try to do something like training, you will still be in combat. I don't care what (political) staffers say in the media about how they can find a way to do it. You simply will not. You will be in combat," Hillier said during a promotional interview for his new book, A Soldier First: Bullets, Bureaucrats and the Politics of War.

Living behind blast walls and trying to carry out aid and reconstruction projects are futile, and potentially dangerous in a country where NATO and insurgent forces are battling for the trust of the local population. "It would be like going to shore at Normandy on the sixth of June (1944) and driving around ..... sightseeing and leaving the enemy the opportunity, flexibility and initiative to attack you when they want," Hillier said.

"I don't care what (political) staffers say ... You will be in combat."
Gen. Rick Hillier

The advice from the most politically savvy soldier to lead the Canadian Forces in memory won't be welcomed by MPs of any stripe: All are driving for a reduced presence in Afghanistan.

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Ontarians want civilian role in Afghanistan: Poll

STUDY A slight majority of Canadians are comfortable with the idea of the country remaining involved in Afghanistan post-2011, but in a civilian role and not with combat troops, a new poll suggests.

The findings of The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey appear to be in lockstep with the Conservative government's approach to the mission, which is to bring the troops home in late 2011 and steer efforts toward diplomacy and development.

A national survey found 49 per cent of those asked either supported or strongly supported a continued civilian commitment to the under-developed, war-racked country, while 40 per cent were opposed. The rest were uncertain or had no opinion.

49% A survey shows 49 per cent of Canadians want a continued civilian commitment to Afghanistan.

Support for a renewed civilian mission was highest among respondents in Alberta, at 57 per cent, and followed closely by Ontario, where 53 per cent of those surveyed said they supported it.

Quebec and Atlantic Canada appeared cool to the idea and a majority of respondents in those regions even favoured bringing the troops home earlier than 2011. The results are interesting, especially since support for the military in almost everything it does is routinely highest in Atlantic Canada.

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Dad's Halloween masks a glowing success

INVENTION Inventor Taylor Shields is, by his own admission, "just a big kid." And that's just fine with his twin 13-year-old daughters Sarah and Sydney.

So when Sydney asked him to make her a glow-stick Halloween costume two years ago, he was happy to sit down at his desk and fiddle his way to a colourful answer.

Those first simple costumes attracted attention from friends and neighbours, so Shields ran with the idea to sell them online last year. He finally dove full-time this year into a new business that has snagged a fast deal to market them across Canada with Walmart.

"I tinker a lot," said Shields, 46, whose glow-stick passion quickly outgrew the basement of his Oak Ridges home and now fills a Mississauga warehouse. "Anything electronic or electrical that comes into the house lasts about a week before I take it apart.

Sydney and Sarah are partners in his costume business. The Grade 8 French immersion students also wrote translations for packages, instructions and their www.glow-stickables.com website.

JIM WILKES/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Taylor Shields of Oak Ridges is flanked by twin daughters Sarah, left, and Sydney, who are wearing glow stick masks he designed. The idea came when his daughters asked for a different Halloween costumes two years ago.

"My dad's imagination is wild," said Sarah, who'll be a giant glowing flower for Halloween.

That's part of the attraction of Glowstickables, which let kids attach glow sticks to a plastic framework to make masks, body outfits, almost any design. The sticks glow at least 48 hours, although Shields has had some last a week or more. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

High schoolers protest police presence after student's arrest

DEMONSTRATION A small but vociferous group of students at Northern Secondary School held a lunchtime demonstration Thursday to protest police presence in city high schools.

About 50 students gathered across the street from the school, holding signs that read: "This School Is Not A Police State."

The group listened to organizers and former Toronto mayor John Sewell, an advocate for police accountability, as another 100 students looked on.

The protest was in response to the recent arrest of a teen by a police officer at Northern which was broadcast on YouTube. The officer, Const. Ali Moosvi, was placed in the school in September as part of a board-wide program in 50 schools.

Protest organizer Max Naylor, a Grade 11 student at Northern, called for the elimination of police at his school and asked for public consultations on the issue. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

CAMERAS On Thursday, Toronto Police approved a proposed closed-circuit television plan. The force can now put cameras back in at-risk areas of the city. It does not affect the 15 permanent cameras on Yonge Street and in the Entertainment District.

HEALTH Critics and residents in rural communities are demanding that the Ontario government stop cuts to their health-care services until an expert panel finishes its report. Demonstrators from the village of Burk's Falls in northern Muskoka say their hospital is slated to close and will force critically ill patients to travel an extra 40 minutes for care.

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Nuemi, left, and daughter Bebe are part of a Mexican family, failed refugee claimants who were deported back to Mexico.

Deported to her death

Woman killed after return to Mexico

"A woman between the ages of 20 and 30 was found murdered — and with evidence of childbirth — with blows to her body and a bullet in the forehead, a classic revenge from drug trafficking," said a June 5 story in the Mexican newspaper El Informador de Jalisco.

A death certificate later classified the woman's death as a homicide.

What the coroner's office didn't mention was that the 24-year-old murder victim and her mother and sister had twice sought refuge in Canada, in 2004 and 2008, from drug traffickers. The same men are thought to have kidnapped and killed young Grise, leaving the fate of her baby unknown, after she was forced back to Mexico.

Grise's tragic death highlights the need to give refugees a right to appeal when their applications are rejected, say Toronto advocates.

"We need to have an immigration ombudsman to look into mistakes made in the immigration and refugee system," said Francisco Rico-Martinez of FCJ Hamilton House refugee shelter, which the family contacted for help. "The system does make mistakes."

Both Immigration Minister Jason Kenney's office and the Immigration and Refugee Board declined to comment on the case.

"We need to have an immigration ombudsman to look into mistakes made in the immigration and refugee system."
Francisco Rico-Martinez

On Tuesday, Parliament's citizenship and immigration committee voted 6-5 to establish an appeal division to hear the cases of failed refugee claimants. All five Conservative MPs voted against it.

The recommendation now goes to Parliament for a vote that will hinge on Liberal support. Both the New Democrats and Bloc Québécois staunchly support an appeal unit.

FCJ Hamilton House persuaded the federal government to issue a visitor's visa so the surviving mother and sister could return to Canada earlier this month.

"I am happy and sad to be back," said a tearful Nuemi, the dead woman's mother. "I'm sad because my daughter had to be killed in order for Canada to believe in our story. The price is just too high." She asked that her family's full names not be published out of fear for her relatives' safety in Mexico.

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News in brief

GROW-OP Two men have been arrested after police dismantled an elaborate marijuana grow operation worth $3.65 million in a two-storey Pickering home. Police searched the residence, near Finch Avenue and Dixie Road, on Wednesday where they found and seized 2,179 marijuana plants in various stages of growth, said Sgt. Nancy van Rooy of Durham Region police. She said each plant has a street value of $1,400.

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Court decides Canadian man will face fraud charges in U.S.

The Supreme Court of Canada says a Canadian man can be extradited to California to face charges connected to an alleged telemarketing scheme. The unanimous decision overturns a B.C. Court of Appeal ruling from April 2008 that set aside the extradition of Henry Anekwu. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

No corrals for Games protesters: Cop

Vancouver's police chief says there will be no Beijing-style protest corrals at the 2010 Winter Olympics, nor will police enter homes to remove anti-Olympic signs. Chief Jim Chu is trying to quell a backlash over a bylaw the city says is aimed at so-called guerrilla marketers trying to horn in on Olympic publicity. But critics have launched a lawsuit, saying the bylaw will limit the right to protest and allow officials to enter private homes to confiscate protest signs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Language law struck down

But Quebec premier vows to replace bill limiting access to English schools

Desperate to avoid an eruption of long-dormant language wars, Quebec's federalist government trod warily Thursday after the country's top court struck down a provincial law limiting immigrants' access to English schools.

The Supreme Court of Canada has given Quebec one year to come up with an acceptable compromise to Bill 104, which was originally struck down by the provincial appeals court two years ago.

The potential political implications became evident as some jumped on the verdict as proof Quebec needed its own country, and complained that "another nation's" court should not be allowed to set Quebec language policy.

Premier Jean Charest sought to douse those political flames with an immediate promise to replace the old language law with a similar one.

"We are disappointed by the judgment," Charest told the legislature.

"At the same time, the Supreme Court gives the government a year to react to the verdict. That means it's the status quo."

Sovereigntists used the verdict to question the legitimacy of the Supreme Court of Canada.

"It's the Supreme Court of another nation," Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe said in Ottawa.

"For as long as we belong to Canada, there will always be situations like this."

Lawyers representing more than two dozen families had argued the Quebec government was violating immigrants' constitutional rights by denying them access to English-language schools. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Quebec Premier Jean Charest is applauded by his caucus Thursday after he answered questions over a Supreme Court judgment on language and education at the Quebec legislature.

Dad who killed children believed wife cheated

COURT A B.C. father who admitted to killing his three children testified at his first-degree murder trial Thursday that he believed the children's mother cheated on him repeatedly and he questioned whether their youngest child was even his.

Allan Schoenborn is on trial for three counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of 10-year-old Kaitlynne, eight-year-old Max and five-year-old Cordon.

He has recounted the killings in his testimony in B.C. Supreme Court, saying he believed they were being molested and he killed them to protect them from lives of drugs and sexual abuse.

Defence lawyers are arguing that the killings were the result of mental illness, and on Wednesday painted Schoenborn as a loving but extremely paranoid father who believed the children were being abused.

Allan Schoenborn

Prosecutors, however, contend the killings were an act of vengeance against the children's mother, from whom Schoenborn was separated.

Schoenborn, 41, recounted several incidents where he accused the children's mother, Darcie Clarke, of cheating on him, including with her own brother. He said she always denied the accusations and reassured him. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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NDP leader proposes national pension insurance program

SUPPORT NDP Leader Jack Layton is proposing a national pension insurance program to protect workers whose companies go bankrupt and leave retired employees in the lurch.

The self-sustaining program would be funded by employer contributions and guarantee pensioners $2,500 per month in the event their plan is wound up.

Layton says other countries, including the United States and the Netherlands, have similar programs that adopt so-called orphaned pension plans.

The NDP is also proposing an increase to the Guaranteed Income Supplement for low-income seniors — a measure that would cost the federal treasury about $700 million a year.

$2,500

The amount guaranteed to pensioners per month under a proposed national pension insurance program.

Layton called for the Conservative government to double the Canada Pension Plan benefit to $1,817 a month from $908, which several seniors' groups have been lobbying for in recent years.

The proposals come one day after retired employees of the bankrupt telecom giant Nortel held a demonstration on Parliament Hill. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Diabetes guidelines released

HEALTH The International Diabetes Federation has released three sets of guidelines for health providers aimed at improving patient care and stemming the growing worldwide incidence of the disease.

The clinical guidelines — dealing with pregnancy, diabetics' oral health and patient monitoring of blood sugar levels — were announced Thursday at the World Diabetes Congress in Montreal.

"The new data that was released at this meeting through the IDF atlas indicates that things are worse than we thought they were," said Dr. Stephen Colagiuri, chair of the IDF task force on clinical guidelines.

He noted that an estimated 285 million people around the world have diabetes, a figure that's predicted to soar to 435 million within 20 years.

"And, unfortunately, diabetes is responsible for four million deaths a year, and this is at a cost globally of $376 billion," said Colagiuri. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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CFIA issues salmon warning

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People are evacuated from the Workers Compensation Board building in Edmonton Wednesday. Police were dealing with an armed man who was holding several hostages at the building near the Alberta legislature. The man later surrendered to police.

Alberta vows review of hostage incident

Gunman faces weapons, confinement charges

Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach says his government will review the hostage taking at the Workers' Compensation Board office in Edmonton to ensure something like it doesn't happen again.

Police arrested a man Wednesday night who allegedly held nine hostages at gunpoint for 10 hours over a dispute with the board. The man somehow managed to get into the building with a rifle despite an employee security card system and guards.

Stelmach says the review will include the Solicitor General's Department, the Justice Department and police.

The premier also offered his government's support to workers who were shaken up by the incident and praised police for ending the dispute without anyone being hurt.

Patrick Charles Clayton, 38, has been charged with unlawful confinement and several weapons offences and is to appear in court Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Inquiry examines jail security video

FOOTAGE The final minutes of Howard Hyde's life showing a struggle he had with jail guards moments before he lost consciousness during another tussle were aired Thursday at a public inquiry into the mentally ill Nova Scotia man's death. Recorded by a series of surveillance cameras inside a provincial jail in November 2007, the footage has an unsettling, surreal quality.

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Quebec to probe shady construction dealings

CORRUPTION The Quebec government has formed an investigations unit to examine allegations of collusion and corruption in the construction industry.

The move comes amid reports that companies linked to the Italian Mafia have dabbled in political affairs and essentially created a construction cartel that works to drive up the cost of building projects.

Mafia experts say the practice exists elsewhere in Canada and is particularly worrisome now that Ottawa and the provinces are embarking on the most expensive infrastructure program in Canadian history.

Quebec has been rocked by reports that Mafia-linked construction companies have colluded to drive up the price of public-works projects by 35 per cent in the Montreal area. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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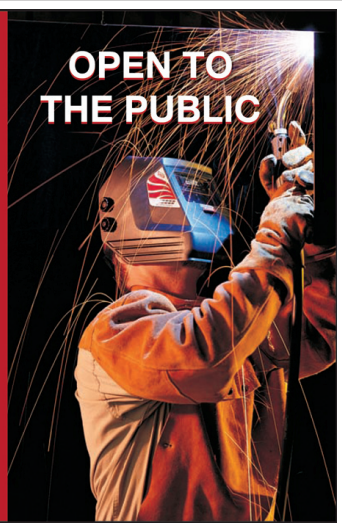

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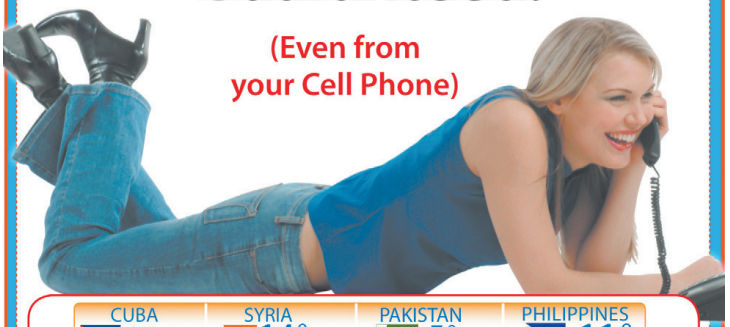

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One killed, three hurt in Niagara Falls collision

One person was killed and three others hurt in a car crash in Niagara Falls, Ont. Police say a southbound car on the QEW late Wednesday hit a pickup truck, which went into the ditch, ejecting its two occupants. The driver of the truck was pronounced dead in hospital. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Crowds protest as Bush jokes

Police hold back shoe-throwing demonstrators in Montreal

As George W. Bush cracked jokes with a business crowd inside a hotel ballroom Thursday, hundreds of people outside the building cheered while he was being burned in effigy.

Police in riot gear and others on horseback held back a crowd of hundreds, including many people who tossed shoes at Montreal's historic Queen Elizabeth Hotel in a demonstration of disdain for the man speaking inside.

Protesters who tried forcing their way through the line of shield- and baton-carrying police were wrestled to the ground and arrested.

Montreal police said several officers were hit by flying objects, but none were injured. Five people were arrested for mischief and disturbing the peace.

Chants of "George Bush terrorist" echoed in the street as protesters lashed out at the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Montreal for rolling out the red carpet for him.

Some of the 300 protesters said he should have been arrested and charged with war crimes instead.

Inside the hotel, nearly 1,000 spectators paid as much as $400 to hear Bush speak during the latest stop on his Canadian tour.

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Legacy defence

- Bush spent most of his time on stage defending his heavily criticized White House legacy.

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A police officer tries to catch a shoe thrown during a demonstration outside the Queen Elizabeth Hotel where former U.S. president George W. Bush was speaking Thursday in Montreal.

Bandidos accuse each other in '06 murders

The alleged mastermind in the killings of eight fellow Bandidos is not a psychopath and the only reason his southwestern Ontario farm played host to the biker gang massacre was because of the murderous intentions of a co-accused, Wayne Kellestine's lawyer told a jury Wednesday.

Kellestine, former Winnipeg-area police officer Michael Sandham, and four others have pleaded not guilty to eight counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of the Toronto members in April 2006.

The jury has heard closing submissions this week from lawyers for the other five accused. They portrayed Kellestine as a madman who turned what was supposed to be a night of stripping the Toronto men, known as the No Surrender Crew, of their Bandidos affiliation into mass murder.

Several of the lawyers have suggested there was no actual plan that night, a plan being a requisite for first-degree murder. Kellestine's lawyer Clay Powell suggested there was indeed a plan — and it was Sandham's.

But in closing submissions the Crown said each of the six men had either something to gain or lose.

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Crown

- The Crown's closing remarks were expected to last at least through Thursday.

Saskatchewan politicos come out swinging

The first question period of the fall session at the Saskatchewan legislature started Thursday with a political jab at NDP Leader Dwain Lingenfelter, but he calls it an attempt to deflect from the issues.

Premier Brad Wall told the assembly that Lingenfelter called him before the 2003 provincial election with tips on how to defeat then NDP premier Lorne Calvert.

Lingenfelter was working for a Calgary-based energy company at the time, having left politics in 2000. Wall was the Crown's critic for the Opposition Saskatchewan Party.

The NDP won the 2003 election, but fell to the Saskatchewan Party in 2007.

The premier said he raised the issue now because it calls into question Lingenfelter's political allegiances.

Lingenfelter said the allegation is news to him and that he didn't have the conversation Wall mentioned.

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Head of party

- Dwain Lingenfelter was elected NDP leader last June after Lorne Calvert retired.

Dazed deer surprises shoppers

Shoppers at a Sobey's grocery store in Windsor, N.S., got a bit of a scare when a deer crashed through a set of glass doors.

The frightened animal smashed into a cash register during the incident Wednesday and was dazed and bleeding with a piece of antler torn off.

Employees managed to herd the deer out of the store, where it smashed into some cars in the parking lot before running away.

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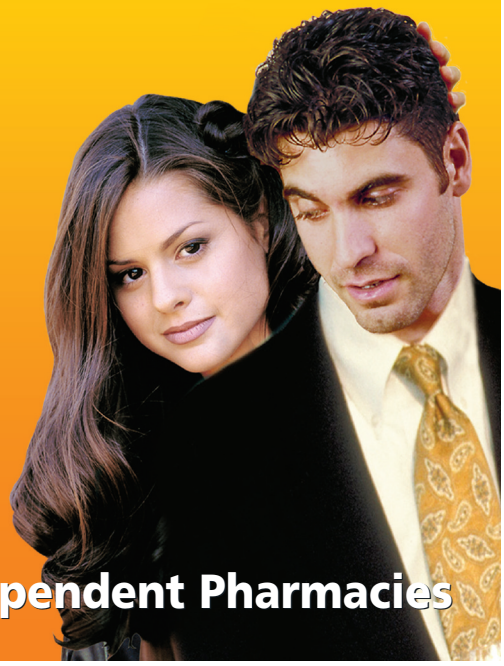

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Rough seas damage ship laying underwater pipeline
A ship laying an underwater pipeline from the Deep Panuke natural gas field to Nova Scotia has been damaged in rough seas. The Lorelay was in port in Sheet Harbour, N.S., getting repairs following the incident last Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

CRIME Police in Alberta have charged a 41-year-old man with sexually assaulting a pre-teen girl who is a ward of the province. Turner Valley RCMP say officers were approached by concerned citizens of a southern Alberta reserve. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Refinery gets a new chance

ENERGY A South Korean energy giant may be the saviour of Harvest Energy Trust's troubled refinery in Come By Chance, N.L.

Calgary-based Harvest has agreed to be taken over by state-owned Korea National Oil Corp. for $4.1-billion in cash and debt.

About a year ago, Harvest shelved a $2-billion expansion to the refinery.

But now the odds of the project going ahead are greater, said Harvest chief executive John Zahary.

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B.C. wants answers

Government asks court: Is polygamy a crime?

The B.C. government is asking the B.C. Supreme Court for an opinion on the country's polygamy laws.

Canadians and the justice system need clarity about whether the law barring multiple marriages is constitutional, the government says.

B.C. Attorney General Mike de Jong said Thursday the government has decided to seek the court's opinion rather than appeal last month's court ruling that quashed polygamy charges against the leaders of a controversial polygamous religious sect in southeastern B.C.

De Jong said the court reference case, which he intended to file as early as Friday, is the preferred route for "getting to the very heart of the matter" — whether polygamy is a crime.

Earlier this year, the attorney general's ministry announced polygamy charges against Winston Blackmore and James Oler, the leaders of the polygamous sect in Bountiful, British Columbia.

Blackmore was accused of having 19 wives and Oler three.

Blackmore is reported to have more than 100 children.

The men said the law is a violation of their charter right to religious freedom.

Taking the question to the Supreme Court is "not a prosecution," De Jong said.

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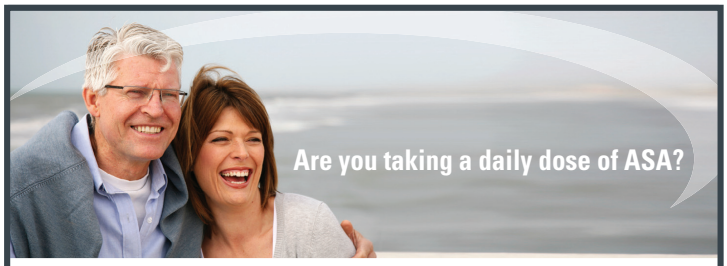
Winston Blackmore has been accused of having 19 wives.

B.C.'s questions

- Is section 293 of the Criminal Code (the section that makes polygamy illegal) consistent with the Constitution and Charter of Rights and Freedoms?
- What role does section 293 play in relationships between consenting adults and relationships with people who are not yet adults?



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Federal Minister of Health Leona Aglukkaq holds up an H1N1 Preparedness Guide Thursday as she responds to a question in the House of Commons.

First shots are 'no pain at all'

For Ginette Pellerin, who was among the first in Canada to receive the H1N1 vaccination, a needle in the arm Thursday was a relatively harmless experience.

"It was no pain at all," said Pellerin, the director of public health in Miramichi, N.B.

New Brunswick took the lead on the rollout of the immunization program Wednesday when it began giving shots to some health-care workers assigned to administer the vaccination against the H1N1 influenza virus (also known as swine flu).

Pellerin is one of hundreds of people who will help run swine flu immunization clinics scheduled to open Monday.

Health-care workers in the rest of the country will begin getting their vaccinations next week, with aboriginals, children and people with chronic conditions next on the list.

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Flu **Outbreak**

Many Ontarians can get vaccine Monday

GROUPS Ontario will begin offering the vaccine Monday to certain groups that are more vulnerable to contracting swine flu:

- Adults under the age of 65 with chronic conditions.
- Health workers, caregivers for high-risk groups.
- People living in remote and isolated communities.
- Pregnant women and healthy children aged six months to five years.

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News in brief

DECISION The Supreme Court of Canada has dismissed an appeal by an Irving-owned company challenging a submarine maintenance contract that went to a competing firm. Irving Shipbuilding Inc. sued after Ottawa informally awarded the first phase of the $1.5-billion contract to Canadian Submarine Management Group. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Virginia Tech investigating threat

Virginia Tech police are investigating written messages on YouTube that threaten a mass shooting at the university, but believe there is no direct threat to the school. The university was the site of a 2007 shooting massacre which left 33 dead. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Afghan runoff preparations begin

Election authorities began delivering ballots with UN assistance across Afghanistan on Thursday, as hurried preparations for the Nov. 7 runoff in the insurgency-plagued nation's presidential election got under way. International election monitors called on authorities to avert the widespread fraud that marred the first round of voting in August. Scores of election staff accused of misconduct have been axed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC A report says authorities have arrested a Canadian missionary on charges of sexually abusing teenage boys. A report by Dominican newspaper Hoy says Joao Jose Correira Duarte was arrested Tuesday at a hotel in Puerto Plata. The report says he faces 12 sexual assault charges relating to the alleged abuse of teenage boys in neighbouring Haiti. Canada's Department of Foreign Affairs would only confirm that a Canadian citizen has been arrested and released no other details. Rolando Rosado Mateo, national drug control agency chief in the Dominican, says Duarte was arrested under a Canadian warrant and was to be extradited to Canada.

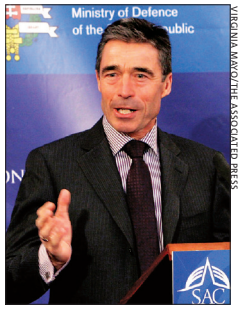
ARMS Russia will step up action to defend the copyright of the Kalashnikov, which is made without license by dozens of manufacturers around the world, says the nation's state arms-trading monopoly. Kalashnikov made the famous AK-47 rifle. THE CANADIAN PRESS

No turning back from Afghanistan: NATO chief

Afghanistan is the most complex challenge that NATO has ever undertaken, but the alliance must remain engaged there to prevent the country from turning back into an al-Qaida training ground, the organization's top official said Thursday.

Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen said some critics are starting to say that the cost of engagement in the eight-year war is too high, but he countered that "the cost of inaction would be far higher."

"Leaving Afghanistan behind would once again turn the country into a training ground for al-Qaida. The pressure on nuclear-armed Pakistan would be tremendous. Instability would spread throughout central Asia and it would only be a matter of time until we here in Europe would feel the consequences of all of this," Fogh Rasmussen said at a security conference in Slovakia, ahead of a meeting of NATO defence ministers.



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NATO Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen at a meeting of NATO defence ministers in Slovakia Thursday.

The NATO chief is pushing for greater co-operation between NATO and Russia.

He said he hopes to persuade Moscow to become more engaged in Afghanistan.

Russia has given some support to the international anti-terrorism campaign, allowing shipments of supplies to coalition forces in Afghanistan across its territory, but has ruled out sending troops.

The Soviet Union lost 15,000 soldiers in its war in Afghanistan in the 1980s before it was forced to retreat.

It was in the chaos after the Soviet withdrawal that the Taliban came to power in 1996. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. takes step to protect consumers

CREDIT The U.S. House of Representatives Financial Services Committee voted Thursday to create a federal agency devoted to protecting American consumers from predatory lending, abusive overdraft fees and unfair rate hikes.

Democrats are hailing the 39-29 vote as a win for the average citizen. It is a major step forward in enacting President Barack Obama's plan to tighten the rules governing Wall Street, although the measure still faces scrutiny by the full House and Senate.

The legislation has been the target of an aggressive multimillion-dollar lobbying campaign by the financial industry, which contends that the agency would have dangerously broad reach.

Obama said the vote "sends an important signal to the American people that we will not stand by and allow big financial firms and their lobbyists to mobilize against change."

Also on Thursday, the committee was set to approve legislation that would impose new rules for credit cards on Dec. 1. A similar bill already passed Congress but won't take effect until mid-February. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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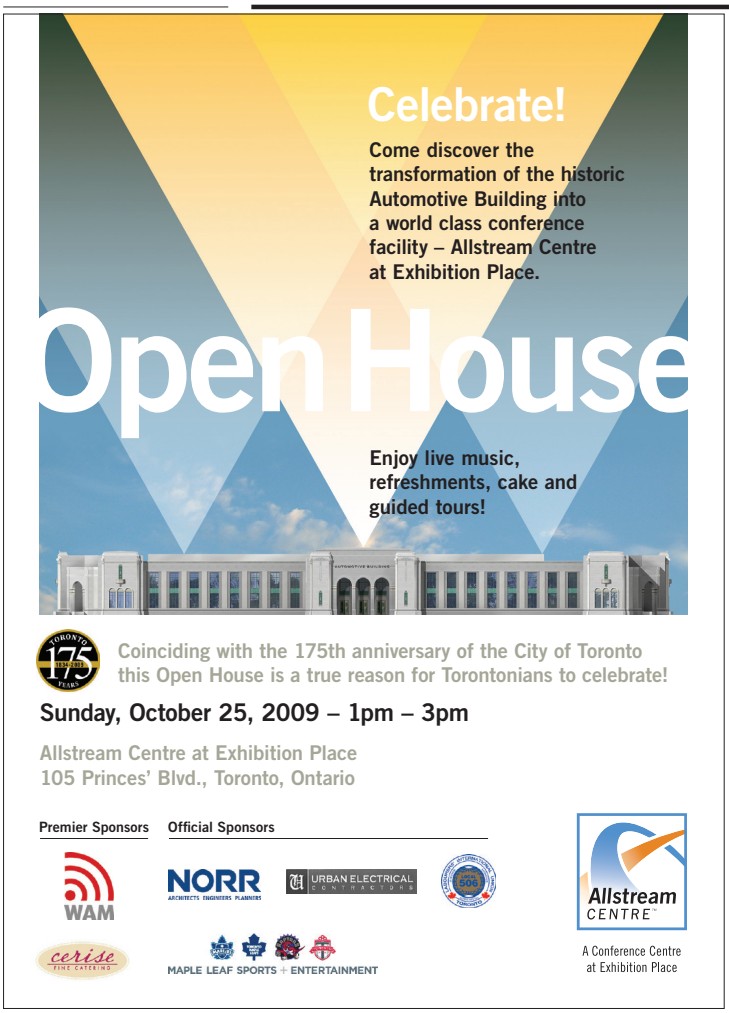

Turkey won't sacrifice support for Azerbaijan

Turkey says its support for Azerbaijan's claim to the disputed a territory won't be sacrificed for the sake of mending ties with Armenia. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Famine strikes Ethiopia again

Ethiopia said Thursday it needs emergency food aid for 6.2 million people, an appeal that comes 25 years after a devastating famine compounded by communist policies killed one million and prompted one of the largest charity campaigns in history.

The crisis stems from a prolonged drought that has hit much of the Horn of Africa, including Kenya and Somalia.

Mitiku Kassa, Ethiopia's state minister for agriculture and rural development, appealed to donors Thursday for more than $121 million US. In January, he had said that 4.9 million of Ethiopia's 85 million people needed emergency food aid.

Ethiopia has long struggled with cyclical droughts, which are compounded by the country's dependence on rain-fed agriculture and archaic farming practices.

In 1984, Ethiopia's famine drew international attention as news reports showed emaciated children and adults with limbs as thin as sticks. The crisis launched one of the biggest global charity campaigns in history, including the concert Live Aid.

In a report marking 25 years since Ethiopia's famine, Oxfam said countries must focus on preparing communities to prevent and deal with drought and other disasters before they strike, rather than relying on importing aid.

According to the UN, nearly two-thirds of Africa's agricultural land has been degraded by erosion and misused pesticides. In Ethiopia, where bad farming practices have led to massive erosion, 85 per cent of land is damaged.

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Disastrous

- Drought is especially disastrous in Ethiopia because more than 80 per cent of people live off the land. Agriculture drives the economy, accounting for half of all domestic production and most exports.

News in brief

LOS ANGELES More than 1,100 FBI agents and police officers spread out through South Los Angeles, banging on doors before dawn Thursday in a crackdown against a gang implicated in drug dealing and violent crime. "They have a vise grip on the neighbourhood, and we are going to release that grip," LAPD Deputy Chief Kirk Albanese said, referring to the Rolling 40s street gang. More than 30 people were indicted on charges that could carry sentences ranging from 20 years to life, the FBI said.

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Homeless man asleep in trash bin crushed

Police in Philadelphia say a homeless man sleeping in a trash bin wound up in the back of a garbage truck and was killed by the vehicle's compactor. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Anti-fascists storm BBC

Anti-fascist protesters broke into the BBC's west London headquarters yesterday ahead of a white-supremacist party leader's appearance on a leading political debate show.

Hundreds of protesters gathered outside the BBC Television Center in an increasingly rowdy rally against British National Party chief Nick Griffin, who was due to appear on the broadcaster's Question Time program. At one point about 25 people breached a police cordon and ran into the centre's lobby.

BBC footage showed some being pulled across the floor by their arms and legs by security.

The BBC said later that Griffin had managed to make it into the building, where he is scheduled to be a panellist on Question Time — a first for the far-right party.

Many politicians have condemned the invitation to Griffin, but the BBC says that as a publicly funded broadcaster it must cover all political parties that have a national presence. Justice Secretary Jack Straw, a senior member of the governing Labour Party Cabinet, is due to appear alongside Griffin.

The whites-only BNP opposes immigration and claims to fight for "indigenous" Britons. Griffin has a conviction for racial hatred and has denied the Holocaust in the past.

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A police officer clashes with a protestor Thursday outside the BBC in London. Hundreds of protesters gathered against British National Party Leader Nick Griffin's appearance on the broadcaster's Question Time program.

Pakistan **Border collie**

IJAZ MUHAMMAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A young girl and her dog look out from a vehicle Thursday as she and her family wait for security clearance at a checkpoint on the edge of the Pakistani tribal region of Waziristan. Pakistani troops and the Taliban have been fighting fierce battles in Waziristan since Saturday.

News in brief

FRANCE A French prosecutor says newly discovered traces of DNA could revive hope of solving the 1984 slaying of a four-year-old boy. Prosecutor Jean-Marie Beney said yesterday "identifiable" DNA of a man and a woman were found on a letter addressed to the boy's grandparents. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

China protests Dalai Lama visit to India

The Dalai Lama is going ahead with a scheduled visit to India's remote northeastern state of Arunachal Pradesh next month, ignoring protests by China, which claims the region as its territory, a spokesman said Thursday.

The Tibetan spiritual leader will visit the Tawang Buddhist monastery in the state bordering China Nov. 8, said Phuptel Samphel, a spokesman of the Tibetan government-in-exile.

Beijing on Tuesday protested the upcoming trip. "We are resolutely against Dalai's visit," Foreign Ministry spokesman Ma Zhaoxu said. "We think that has further exposed the anti-China and separatist nature of the Dalai clique." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thai army, police sent to guard ASEAN summit

Thailand has deployed more than 36,000 military and police to guard a summit of Asian leaders, working to prevent any repeat of the disruptions that shut down another meeting earlier this year, an official said yesterday.

The government is still smarting from the storming of the East Asian Summit in April in the seaside city of Pattaya, where anti-government protesters charged through thin police ranks and forced the evacuation of several leaders by helicopter and boat.

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Daring hoax exposes limits of today's instant journalism

You attend a press conference. The newsmaker speaks. You run a DNA test to confirm they are who they claim to be. Then you publish.

An absurd notion, but only marginally more absurd than the high comedy that played out at Washington's National Press Club Monday, when the U.S. Chamber of Commerce made big news that wasn't.

Already in the news for its hard-lobbying opposition to U.S. climate-change legislation, the pro-business Chamber dropped reporters' jaws with what appeared to be a turning-point announcement – the organization now accepts that "without a stable climate, there will be no business."

The dramatic reversal was conveyed instantly, led by the Reuters agency.

Minutes later it was picked up by the New York Times and Washington Post websites.

But by the time Fox jumped in, the real U.S. Chamber of Commerce burst into the news conference, together with red-faced representatives of the National Press Club, to debunk the proceedings as a hoax.

Reporters' heads swung from the possible interlopers at the podium to the possible interlopers who were calling them out – who was legitimate? For a few minutes both sides stood their ground.

Finally, the ruse was revealed – the man purportedly speaking on behalf of America's largest business lobby was in fact Andy Bichlbaum of the anti-corporate pranksters known as the Yes Men.

The real Chamber is angry and the Press Club is embarrassed at how easily the acceptance of a $500 room rental fee exposed a major vulnerability to guerrilla-style activism. The media got a cardinal lesson in the dangers of the tweet-first-ask-questions-later pace of modern news.

"This really brings home the reality that in the 24-hour news cycle you've got to be suspicious of just about everything until you confirm it," said media expert Robert Thompson, director of the Bleier Centre for Television and Popular Culture at Syracuse University.

Coming less than a week after the Balloon Boy saga devolved from real-life fairy tale to actual fairy tale, Thompson and others observe that the Press Club saga has played out differently.

Unlike the Colorado family that initially hid from reporters, the Yes Men are revelling in the aftermath.

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A Yes Men primer

- According to their website, the Yes Men, whose homebase is in Milwaukee, are a group of "cultural jammers" who engage in what they call "identity correction" by pretending to be powerful people and spokespeople for prominent organizations.

News in brief

SOMALIA Islamic militants fired mortars into Somalia's airport as the president boarded a plane yesterday, sparking battles that killed at least 24 people when return fire hit residential areas and a market. The president was unhurt and his plane took off safely, police said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Comment

Hot and bothered over fake hymens

GlobalView

Proving one more time that when it comes to Muslim women, it's about headscarves and hymens — in other words, what's on our heads and what's between our legs — Egypt is hot and bothered over a Chinese device that fakes female virginity.

It's reportedly available in Syria for $15 but nobody knows if the gizmo called Gigimo is on sale in Egypt yet. Just the mere thought of a device, which is said to release liquid imitating blood, allowing a woman to fake virginity on her wedding night, has driven some conservatives crazy.

One Egyptian Muslim scholar even went so far as to say that people caught importing the virginity-faking device into the country should face the death penalty and the Muslim Brotherhood, the largest opposition bloc in parliament, want the kit banned on grounds it will encourage promiscuity.

The conservatives are not content that their ideology has put headscarves on the heads of 80 per cent of Egyptian women. Now it's the horror of uncertainty about that "good girl" they marry.

With all the troubles Egypt faces these days — spiralling cost of living, a president in power for 28 years whose son looks likely to succeed him, etc. — why all the fuss over hymens, real or fake?

Welcome to the hypocrisy and denial that together drum at the heart of conservative religious views on women and chastity. And in the case of Egypt, that conservatism applies equally to Muslims and Christians.

As a Muslim, I know the Qur'an preaches chastity for men and women, but the conservative obsession with women means only females are expected to abide by the prohibition on extra-marital sex. This obsession with virginity is shallow at best and deadly at worst.

And it's built on a lie — people in Egypt are having sex outside of marriage, as they do everywhere. Hymen reconstruction surgery was an option for sexually active women who could afford it. In less affluent and more rural areas, women have used body parts of animals for blood on the sheets. Now the Gigimo provides a cheaper, cleaner and non-surgical prop to maintain the lie that many men still want to believe.

Truth be told, it's unlikely Egyptian women will flock to the Gigimo. But it's been worth it just to watch male hysteria as the made-in-China hymens threatened to smash their virginity god.

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Views

Police have seen the other side of the rainbow

UrbanCompass

It's been a big turnaround for the Toronto police service.

Ten years ago, Toronto police, under chief Julian Fantino, saw the gay and lesbian community as something of an enemy, a hostile force. Clubs feared police raids, and gays and lesbians often felt police officers were not there to serve and protect them.

How that has changed. This week it was announced that Toronto would host World Pride week in 2014. The event will include a parade of nations and a human rights conference.

The bid was led by Toronto Pride Week organizers. Supporters included Tourism Toronto, the TD Bank, which sponsors the annual parade, and — this is the key sponsor — the Toronto Police Service.

Gays and lesbians from other cities, particularly in the U.S., must have been surprised to find the Toronto police actually encouraging Pride activities. It is so different from other police forces. Our force has relaxed about the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community. It's a sign of the positive change Chief Bill Blair has been able to bring to the police force.

It doesn't mean there won't be occasional miscues by police officers in dealing with the community — individual officers exhibit the same kinds of prejudice as the rest of us — but it does mean that as an organization, the force will not reward such errant behaviour — indeed, discriminatory behaviour will probably be subject to reprimand.

Good on the Toronto police force for making the turnaround. It makes for a better city. One wonders if the same kind of turnaround could happen with the black community. Relations between the police and the black community are strained, particularly in relation to youth.

The gay and lesbian community is economically well off, while parts of the black community are mired in poverty and the sometimes worrying activities that spring from it. Can the police under Blair find a way to reach out to that community and make the necessary turnaround here, too?

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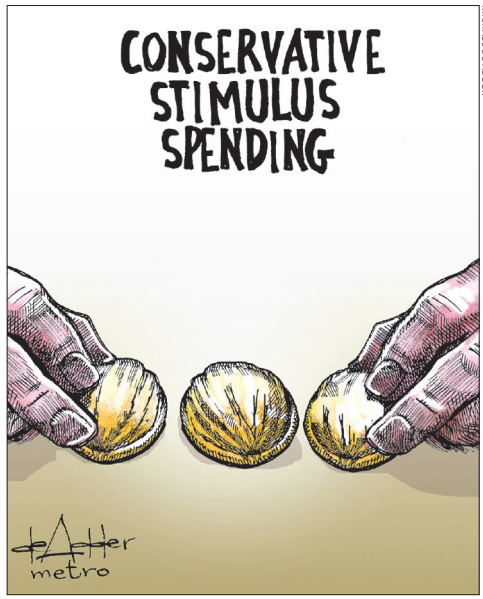

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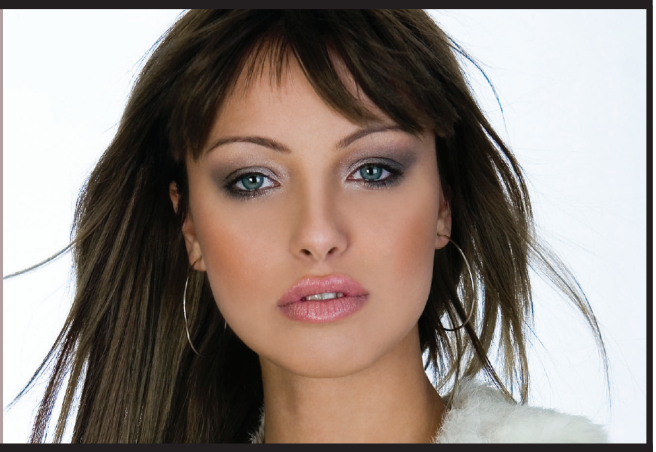

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Banker sees years of weak growth

GROWTH A slow economic recovery will mean at least five years of weak growth in North America and Europe, National Bank president Louis Vachon said Thursday.

Exceptionally low interest rates and massive government stimulus have prevented a global depression, but governments and central banks will soon be forced to stop those practices, the head of Canada's sixth-largest bank told a Quebec Chamber of Commerce business outlook conference.

In the medium term, these policies won't be "defensible," he said.

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Business in brief

AUTOS Magna International and union leaders reached an agreement in principle Thursday over planned job cuts at an Opel automobile plant in northeast Spain. Magna agreed to reduce to 900 from 1,350 the number of jobs it will eliminate at the factory near Zaragoza as part of its planned takeover of Opel from General Motors.

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Loonie too strong: Carney

Top banker warns currency will restrain 2010-11 recovery

The stubbornly strong loonie is the major impediment to the Canadian economy rebounding more strongly from the recent deep recession, says Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney.

In a new warning about the currency that is approaching parity with the U.S. dollar, Carney says Canada would experience noticeably stronger recovery next year and in 2011 if the loonie had stayed at the 87-cent level the bank envisioned during the summer.

Carney's comments at a Thursday news conference came after the central bank released a 28-page quarterly review of the global economy and its impact on Canada.

The review showed a sharp rebound is underway, fuelled by government stimulus and the need to restock depleted inventories.

But the strong burst in activity will last at most a few months before giving way to the slow and difficult climb back from the deep hole that the recession dug over the past year, the review adds.

In Canada, the bank is more optimistic about the second half of this year. The economy is now expected to record a two per cent gain in the third quarter — the July-September period — and 3.3 per cent during the last three months of this year.

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Boosters

- A number of things have broken right for Canada. Commodity prices, particularly oil, have firmed up, financial markets have stabilized faster than thought, and the global economy, particularly China, have rebounded quicker and stronger.

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Bank of Canada Governor Mark Carney addresses a news conference in Ottawa Thursday.

New cars, gas push up August retail sales

ECONOMY Retail sales rose 0.8 per cent in August to $34.5 billion, thanks to higher sales at gasoline stations and new car dealers, which offset July's decline.

Statistics Canada reported Thursday the largest increase came in the automotive sector, which rose 2.4 per cent overall, with gasoline stations leading the way at 3.9 per cent.

Without the bulk of the increase from gasoline stations and new car deals, sales were relatively flat compared with July, increasing 0.4 per cent by volume.

Overall, retail sales this past August were 3.7 per cent lower than a year earlier. Retail sales rose in eight provinces, with New Brunswick posting the largest increase at 3.2 per cent. TD Economics said most of the Atlantic provinces along with Manitoba are furthest along in seeing retail sales recover to previous peaks.

Alberta and British Columbia have the furthest to go with sales respectively still 12 per cent and eight per cent lower than prior peaks, TD said.

They will likely have to wait until the second or third quarter of 2010, he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Simon Giannini, Broker of Record, Real Estate Centre 2000 Inc., Brokerage, 416.979.0333.

Corus profit rises but radio division takes another hit

MEDIA Corus Entertainment delivered a slightly higher profit in the fourth quarter compared with the same period last year, but still fell short of analyst expectations as the radio division faltered.

The Toronto-based media company posted $18.7 million in profit or 23 cents a share for the period ended Aug. 31, up from $17.4 million or 21 cents a share last year.

The quarter included $5.4 million of provisions for restructuring costs at the radio division, bringing the total to $8.6 million for the year as Corus aligns the cost structure of this division with its strategic objectives.

Corus has been reducing costs and streamlining its radio division, which includes Q107 in Toronto.

Revenue for radio fell to $60 million from $68.5 million last year.

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Public opens new Windows

Microsoft put a new edition of Windows on sale Thursday, hoping for a fresh start after a bad reception for the last version of the software that runs most personal computers.

Windows 7 is now available on new computers, and as a software upgrade for some older PCs.

Upgrade discs were selling at Future Shop in Toronto on Thursday for $114, $219 and $279, depending on features.

A Fry's Electronics store not far from Microsoft's headquarters in Redmond, Calif., opened at midnight to give customers an early shot at buying a new PC or a disc that they could use to put Windows 7 on their existing computers.

"We're geeks, that's what geeks do. This is our excitement," said Mike Naramor, 55, who was one of about 50 people who were waiting outside the store when it opened.

Microsoft hopes people like Windows 7 more than its most recent predecessor, Vista, which was slow and didn't work well with existing programs and devices. Microsoft fixed many of Vista's flaws, but it was too late to fix the system's reputation.

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A salesman works behind new Windows 7 software in a store in Rosenheim, southern Germany, Thursday.

Bombardier faces cuts: Analyst

AIRCRAFT Bombardier may be forced to cut business jet production and jobs because of a slow intake of new orders, an industry analyst said Thursday.

While it's too early to predict next year's production, the Montreal-based manufacturer told a Florida business aircraft show that it's becoming increasingly more difficult to get orders.

"Hence, we believe the risk of production cuts next year, remains," Fadi Chamoun of UBS wrote in a report. He expects deliveries will drop by 30 per cent this year to 165, followed by another 14 per cent decline in 2010 to 142 planes, primarily in the small and midsize Learjet and Challengers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Layoffs

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The Truth about Back Pain and Headaches

How a revolutionary home therapy system is helping people stay away from the pain killers

If you suffer from chronic pain, you know that it causes much more than discomfort. It also impacts your outlook on life and interferes with daily activities. Treating the cause of the pain instead of just the symptoms will help you effectively live life more fully, Dr. Michael Ho advises.

"Most chronic pain, including back pain and fibromyalgia, is not a disease but a condition. Being in chronic pain affects your mood, your family, your productivity at work and your enjoyment of life," says Dr.Ho. "Relying on pain pills is not the answer! In order to get rid of the pain, you need to get rid of the cause."

Dr.Ho has been treating patients with chronic conditions such as back pain, fibromyalgia, arthritis, pinched nerves, headaches, sciatica and repetitive strain injuries for more than 20 years. "Over 90% of all pain is involved with muscle tension. Restricted joint movement and irritation of blood vessels and/or nerve fibres are the focal causes of pain," he says.

"We need to relax tense muscles, restore movement to joints and improve blood and nerve circulation". Dr.Michael Ho developed his Muscle Therapy System for use in his clinic and later created a home system to meet the needs of patients.

"Many people cannot afford the time or the cost of treating their chronic pain and end up running to clinics when they're in crisis," says Dr.Ho. "Others simply don't have access to the help they need."

The system is easy to use and comes with an instructional DVD that shows you where to place massage pads for your condition, including aching lower back, neck and shoulder pain or pain caused by arthritis. This medical breakthrough uses microchip technology which simulates deep muscle massage therapy and muscle movement exercises to the targeted tense and tight muscles.

The system features three leading technologies: transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS), electronic muscle stimulation (EMS) and pulse massage stimulation. The combined technology works together to decrease pain, relax the muscles and improve blood and nerve circulation. Dr.Ho says, "It is vital for long-term pain relief that these technologies are used together. By combining these technologies into one portable unit, my patients have experienced faster, longer lasting pain relief." This is truly a life changing breakthrough. The system promotes natural healing. "Many people have concerns that drugs may cause unwanted side effects. You can use this system even if you are on medications. It's also safe for people with metal implants - such as a knee or hip replacement - and can relieve their pain and stiffness."

Dr.Ho points to independent studies that have found Dr-Ho's Muscle Therapy System reduces muscle tension, improves circulation and reduces pain significantly within 20 minutes of use. "It's designed and clinically proven so you can do the things you enjoy in life," says Dr.Ho.

DR-HO'S Muscle Therapy System is a registered medical device with Health Canada and is clinically proven to relieve pain, improve circulation and decrease stiffness in as little as 20 minutes. "It doesn't matter how long you've been suffering, I've had patients who have suffered with chronic pain for 50+ years and still got tremendous relief using the Muscle Therapy System." says Dr.Ho.

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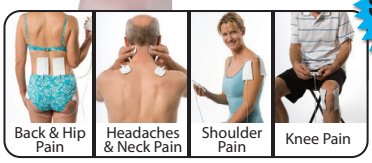

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For the love of music

LINA TOYODA
for Metro Canada

There are decisions made in pivotal moments in everyone's life that changes the course of their lives.

For East Vancouver-based guitar maker Billy Bones, it was when the high-end furniture making shop he was working for went under several years ago.

At that point, he thought about the things he loved: Pinball, motorcycles, and rock 'n' roll.

"I thought I should do something with rock 'n' roll with my life," Bones said, who also plays guitar in Vancouver-based garage-punk band The Vicious Cycles.

So after he finished a guitar-building course in Calgary, he launched Sparrow Guitars in 2004.

Learning how to craft a guitar is one thing, but trying to enter a market with such established giants like Gibson and Fender is another mounting challenge. He looked for a way to enter the guitar market where he could find a wedge.

"I basically put everything I had into this company. For the first three years, we were throwing money into a big hole."
Billy Bones, founder of Sparrow Guitars

"What I came up with is graphics on the guitar," he said. Inspired by '50s "hot rod greaser culture," his line of guitars features pinstriping, flames and high-quality custom graphics.

Although Sparrow Guitars' brand was built on flashy graphics, it was important to Bones to build a reputation for good, quality guitars.

"At first, I'd always hear, 'That looks cool,' but now people are adding, 'And it's a really good guitar.'"

He said the goal from the start was to produce a guitar that a kid can afford to play and that's going to sound great.

Bones said he tries to keep costs down without compromising quality by outsourcing some of the production while keeping the assembly in Canada.

He's currently looking for cost-effective ways to produce the guitars entirely in Canada.

Sparrow offers five models of guitars with fairly traditional body shapes, which retail for about $500 to $1,800.

Sparrow has grown from producing 200 guitars in its first year to 1,200 in 2008, and expects to double its output in the next two years.

"I basically put everything I had into this company," he said. "For the first three years, we were throwing money into a big hole."

Building a presence for the brand has taken time, he says, but it's beginning to pay off with 2008 marking the first year he turned a profit.

The 34-year-old Bones says learning the business was not without its hurdles. Many retailers expressed interest in his guitars in the first year, but would tell him, "I love those guitars. If you survive the next three years, I'll buy a ton of those."

The first three years was like the rite of passage into the business.

Today, his guitars are sold in North America, the United Kingdom, Europe and Australia, and Sparrow is endorsed by rockers like Duff McKagan of Loaded — formerly of Velvet Revolver and Guns N' Roses — as well as noteworthy punk bands like NOFX, Anti-Flag and D.O.A.

Endorsements have been vital in building brand awareness, said Bones, because in this industry, one guitar player influences other guitar players.

"A lot of people, a majority of guitar players, want to play what their rock heroes play. They want to get that same sound."

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Billy Bones, founder of Sparrow Guitars, is seen here with a Big Daddy model from his line of guitars.

'There's actually no bad time, ever, to start a business', expert says

ANDREA WOO
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A number of government initiatives launched this year could be helping small businesses not only survive, but thrive.

Julie King is the publisher and managing editor of canadaone.com, an Ontario-based website that focuses on growing and starting Canadian businesses. She says that as unemployment rates in Canada were rising, so too were the number of people starting their own businesses.

"There's definitely been an upswing," she said.

Katherine Roos, small business manager for the City of Toronto, agrees.

"Absolutely we see the relationship between the recession, unemployment and business creation," she said. "When there's an economic downturn, there are more people starting businesses to make employment opportunities for themselves."

According to Industry Canada, there were 2.6 million self-employed workers in Canada last year, representing around 15 per cent of all employed workers in the country. The number reached a high of 2.66 million in the fourth quarter of 2008 and decreased slightly to 2.63 million in the first quarter of 2009.

A report by BMO Capital Market Economics released this month states that self-employment "has risen sharply during the financial crisis and ensuing recession, but it also reflects the growing number of retirees who shift to self-employment."

King says a number of new government initiatives launched this year can help small businesses through the recession. One is the federal Business Credit Availability Program, which is expected to make available $5 billion in loans and credit support to Canadian businesses. Another is the Work-Sharing program, which helps employers avoid laying off employees during periods of slow business activity by supplementing reduced wages with employment insurance benefits.

The Canada Small Business Financing Program, which encourages financial institutions to make their financing available to small businesses, also upped its limit to $500,000 from $250,000 in April.

"There's actually no bad time, ever, to start a business," said Roos, noting that Disney and Hewlett Packard both started during recessions.

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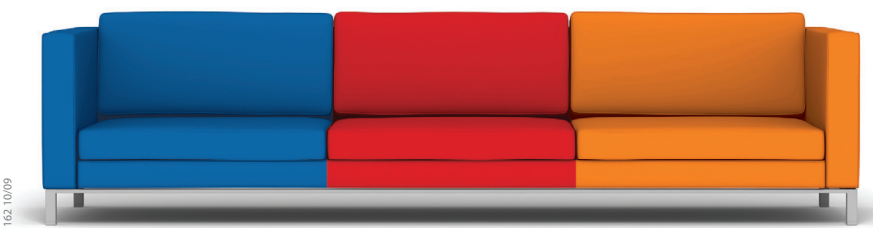
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Governator backs new NFL stadium

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has signed a bill allowing the construction of a 75,000-seat stadium that developers hope will lure an NFL team to the Los Angeles area. Officials say the stadium would generate more than 18,000 jobs and more than $762 million US in economic output. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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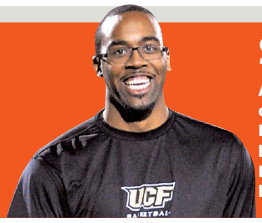

School faces shoe fight

A fight over the shoes Michael Jordan's son will wear at the University of Central Florida could cost the school as much as $3 million US. Freshman guard Marcus Jordan, left, is refusing to wear shoes made by adidas, the brand the university has a contract with for its sports. He says he will only wear his father's Nike Air Jordan shoes because it holds special meaning to his family. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Sports in brief

WORLD CUP Mexico will play eight exhibitions in the run-up to next year's World Cup in South Africa, including three games in the United States. An official said Thursday that Mexico-based players would begin training in Mexico City April 12. Europe-based players will be worked into the team as their seasons end.

GOLF Brandishing a hot putter on a warm afternoon, Australian Nick O'Hern cruised to a career-low 63 and the first-round lead in the Frys.com Open Thursday. Bob Heintz and Heath Slocum were one stroke back at 64. Calgary's Stephen Ames and Bright's Grove, Ont., native Mike Weir sit three shots back in a tie for eighth.

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Leafs upbeat as road trip begins

NHL's only remaining winless team leaves Toronto for next five games

NHL PREVIEW

Toronto at **Vancouver**

A casual observer would never have guessed the Toronto Maple Leafs were the last winless team in the NHL.

There were smiles all around as players exchanged barbs and finished packing their equipment Thursday for the start of a five-game road trip.

The 0-6-1 team had just wrapped up a fourth straight day on the practice ice — a potentially monotonous stretch the Leafs have tried to turn into a positive experience.

They certainly seemed to be in the right frame of mind before boarding a plane and flying to Vancouver, where they will face the Canucks Saturday.

"It's all about staying positive," said defenceman Mike Komisarek. "It's easy to get caught up in the negativity if you follow what the media (are saying). You can't let it get to you, you have to stay positive.

"The results haven't been there and you have to build somewhere — and that starts in practice for us."

"It's easy to get caught up in the negativity if you follow what the media (are saying). You can't let it get to you."
Mike Komisarek, Toronto defenceman

Leafs coach Ron Wilson did his best to mix things up this week. In addition to working on some of the team's defensive shortcomings with specific drills, he also set aside some time for fun — having his players compete in a 3-on-3 tournament on smaller ice this week.

The big gap between games also gave some injuries a chance to heal and there's hope goaltender Jonas Gustavsson might be ready to return from a groin strain.

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Martin takes early lead at World Cup of Curling

CURLING Canadian champion Kevin Martin of Edmonton continued to roll at the Grey Power World Cup of Curling Thursday, posting two wins in the early draws to improve to 3-0.

He opened the day with a 6-3 win over Thomas Dufour of France, then defeated Wang Fengchun of China 8-4 in the afternoon draw. He faced Thomas Ulsrud of Norway in the evening round.

Martin, lead Ben Hebert, second Marc Kennedy and third John Morris are atop the standings in Pool A of the 14-team event, which is part of the Grand Slam of Curling series.

Kevin Koe of Edmonton is second in the group at 2-0 after a 6-4 win over Ulsrud (1-1) in Draw 3.

Edmonton's Randy Ferbey is also at 1-1 after losing to Niklas Edin of Sweden (1-2) in the afternoon draw.

Glenn Howard of Coldwater, Ont., is the leader of Pool B at 2-0 after a 9-3 drubbing of Ulrik Schmidt of Denmark.

Germany's Andy Kapp is second at 2-1 after shutting out American John Schuster 8-0. Schuster and Swiss skip Ralph Stoeckli are tied for third in the group at 1-1. Brad Gushue of St. John's, N.L., defeated Stoeckli 6-5 in the third draw, but is still well down the table at 1-2.

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MLB Playoffs **Angels strike early**

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Los Angeles' Bobby Abreu reacts after scoring during the first inning in Game 5 of the American League championship series Thursday night against the New York Yankees. **For a complete game recap, visit metronews.ca/sports**

MLB switches up World Series umps

BASEBALL Stung by a rash of blown calls in the playoffs, Major League Baseball is breaking tradition and sticking with only experienced umpires for the World Series.

Longtime crew chiefs Joe West, Dana DeMuth and Gerry Davis, along with Brian Gorman, Jeff Nelson and Mike Everitt will handle the games, three people with knowledge of the decision told The Associated Press this week.

The people spoke on condition of anonymity because an official announcement has not been made.

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La Russa's future undecided

Nearly two weeks after his team was swept in the first round of the playoffs, Tony La Russa is still trying to decide whether he wants to return for a 15th season as St. Louis Cardinals manager. In a Thursday interview, La Russa promised the team he'd make a decision fairly soon. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'The Games are coming'

2010 Olympic torch lit by sun's rays during symbolic ceremony in Greece

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

The 2010 Olympic torch was lit Thursday by the rays of a scorching Grecian sun beating down into a mirror during a theatrical and symbolic ceremony attended by dignitaries and tourists.

The drama, amid the ruins of the site of the ancient Olympic Games, was lit in the Temple of Hera by an actress playing a high priestess.

She said a prayer to Apollo, the Greek god of sun, asking him to "send your rays and light the sacred torch for the hospitable City of Vancouver."

The prayer also asked Zeus to "give peace to all peoples on Earth and wreath the winners of the sacred race."

With the presentation of an olive branch and the release of a white dove, the torch departed with a Greek runner, the start of a seven-day historic relay through Greece.

It will then be handed over to Vancouver 2010 officials next week and flown to Canada for a 45,000-kilometre, 106-day trek criss-crossing the country before culminating with the start of the Winter Games in February.

The ceremony moved many of the dignitaries in attendance who have been planning the Games for years.

"When you see it actually lit and he runs out, you know it's here," said B.C. Premier Gordon Campbell. "The Games are coming."

The Greek portion of the relay will see about 700 people carry the flame through villages and towns until it reaches Athens.

There, a handover ceremony at the stadium that hosted the first modern Olympiad will see the flame handed over to Canadian officials.

It arrives in Victoria Oct. 30. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Greek actress Maria Nafpliotou, playing the role of the high priestess, right, holds up the Olympic flame Thursday in the Temple of Hera in Ancient Olympia, Greece. The Olympic flame will travel to Canada Oct. 30, then do a cross-country tour before the Vancouver Olympics start in February.

Buffalo benches NFL's top career punt returner

NFL First Roscoe Parrish couldn't persuade the Bills to trade him. Now, the NFL's leading punt returner can't even get on the field.

Parrish was careful in saying he didn't want to "bad-mouth" anyone, including coach Dick Jauron, after practice Thursday.

Leader

- Roscoe Parrish tops the NFL career list by averaging 13.1 yards on returns.

Noting that his "resumé speaks for itself," the fifth-year receiver still questioned the team's decision to strip him of his punt-returning duties by leaving him inactive against the Jets last weekend.

He was benched a week after his muffed punt led to the Browns scoring a field goal in the final minute of a 6-3 victory. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Argos hope to delay Ticats playoff bid

CFL PREVIEW

Hamilton at Toronto

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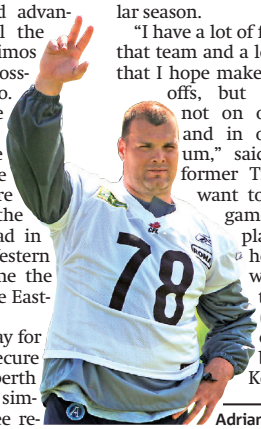
CFL Defensive tackle Adriano Belli sincerely hopes the Hamilton Tiger-Cats make the CFL playoffs, just not on the Toronto Argonauts' watch.

The Argos (3-12) host their archrivals at Rogers Centre Friday night, having been eliminated from post-season play for the second straight season. But Hamilton (6-9) remains very much in the thick of it, tied for second in the East Division standings with the suddenly resurgent Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

Hamilton and Winnipeg are battling for much more than home-field advantage. Both trail the Edmonton Eskimos (7-8) in the cross-over scenario. Should the fourth-place team in the West end the season with more points than the third-place squad in the East, the Western club will become the No. 3 seed in the Eastern playdowns.

So the best way for Hamilton to secure its first playoff berth since 2004 is to simply win its three remaining games — which would include a crucial showdown with Winnipeg the final week of the regular season.

"I have a lot of friends on that team and a lot of guys that I hope make the playoffs, but hopefully not on our clock and in our stadium," said Belli, a former Ticat. "We want to win the game, we're playing at home and we want to try to get (Ticats quarterback) Kevin Glenn on his ass as many times as possible and send them home worried about it next week."



Adriano Belli

While the Grey Cup is no longer on Toronto's radar screen, the Ballard Cup is. The trophy goes to the winner of the season series between the two teams, which the Argos lead 2-1. The Ticats claimed the honour last year for the first time since 2001.

"If that's the prize for this game, then we want it," said Argos first-year head coach Bart Andrus. "I have every confidence that our guys will go in and play hard and compete.

"I can see it in their eyes. They want to win this football game." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports in brief

INVESTIGATION Tennis authorities are looking into a WTA Tour match involving U.S. Open finalist Caroline Wozniacki that apparently sparked bettors to pile money on her opponent when she was on the verge of losing in straight sets. Wozniacki, a 19-year-old Dane ranked sixth in the world, retired from the first-round match at the Luxembourg Open with a hamstring injury Wednesday while leading Anne Kremer of Luxembourg 7-5, 5-0.

TAINTED JERSEYS Eintracht Frankfurt and Mainz are withdrawing their replica shirts from store shelves after tests revealed they contained a softener that causes potential health problems for youngsters. The softener is in the dye used to print the sponsor's logos on the shirts and is not allowed to be used in children's toys in the European Union because it can later cause fertility problems.

SOCCER Diego Maradona won't apologize for a profanity-filled tirade on live TV, which is being investigated by FIFA and could land the Argentina coach a five-game suspension and a fine of almost $20,000 US.

BLACKOUT The Oakland Raiders' home game against the New York Jets Sunday will be blacked out locally because the team did not sell out the game in time. Games need to be sold out 72 hours before kickoff to avoid a blackout in a 120-kilometre radius. This is the third straight home game Oakland has been unable to avoid a blackout. The Raiders did sell out their opener against San Diego. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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New director for CanoeKayak Canada

CanoeKayak Canada named Lorraine Lafreniere as its new director general Thursday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Curling and the golden promise

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VANCOUVER 2010 Games

At the home Olympics Canada will battle an inferiority complex. It is the only country to have hosted the Games (Montreal 1976 and Calgary 1988), and not win a gold medal inside its borders.

It's a glaring blemish on an otherwise illustrious Olympic history.

Vancouver/Whistler and the 2010 Games promise to end the pain. Yet even as the flame begins its journey from Olympia to Canadian shores, nothing is a lock. Certainly not hockey gold, and in the individual sports anything can happen.

That leaves curling, men's and women's, and at least one gold medal that many Canadians have come to count on.

"My generation of curlers is the first that grew up with the Olympics being the No. 1 goal," says Brad Gushue, who won 2006 gold in Torino for Canada. "You know for sure that Canadian fans expect a gold medal in curling."

Gushue's foursome and 13 other men's teams are in Mississauga this weekend at the Grey Power World Cup of Curling. The most talented lineup yet assembled includes seven European rinks, one each from China and the United States, all to appear at the Olympics in February. The five Canadian teams are the cream of the crop, but only one will have the chance to compete in Vancouver after winning an arduous trial process that essentially begins now.

"I relish that chance," says 2007 world champion Glenn Howard from Ontario's Georgian Bay region. "The whole planet will be watching. I can't think of anything more that I want in my life than to win a gold medal for my country."

Brad Gushue

It's a lot of pressure to bear.

Curling is, after all, a sport close to the heart in Canada with millions of passionate fans. But it's also a sport whose homeland is Scotland.

"Canada expects a gold medal, yes — but to us that's a huge challenge," warns reigning world champion David Murdoch of Lockerbie, Scotland, who will represent Great Britain. "A big crowd in Vancouver totally against us will inspire us to be even better."

It is the podium finish that could end the drought. Curling holds that much promise at the upcoming home Olympics.

Then again, in a sport where the playing field is rapidly becoming more level, not even curling can make a golden promise to Canadians this time.

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

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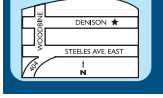

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VivaSport!

Dundas Square gets a dose of Italian style this October

Fans of all things sporty and Italian are in for a rare treat as the Italian Trade Commission (Istituto nazionale per il Commercio Estero – or ICE for short) hosts a very special event called sport&design.it at Dundas Square this month. The exhibition, running from October 22nd to the 31st, showcases the myriad technical advancements in sporting equipment and apparel with a particular focus on the distinctive contributions to design and style in this field that make it so very Italian.

Sports, whether played individually or in teams, indoors or outdoors and through all seasons, allows us to step outside our daily existence and challenge ourselves. It allows us to find new meaning in our relationship with nature and our surroundings to improve our wellbeing and connect with one another through teamwork and competition.

Over the years, specifically designed equipment and clothing have come to define certain sports just as the sports themselves define our participation. These activity-specific items have undergone constant change through the process of research and technological innovation in the pursuit of improved performance and ergonomic design.

Dedicated to all those who engage in sports or are sports fans, sport&design.it will provide the opportunity to see and learn about Italian excellence in the field of sporting goods. Equipment and apparel from more than 80 elite manufacturers will be on display to tickle the fancy of both professionals and amateurs alike.

"The sport&design.it exhibit will showcase the newest designs and technologies created to meet the demanding requirements of performance athletes," says Trade Commissioner Paolo Ponti. "With the increased interest in high-tech equipment and materials, sport&design.it also offers visitors a sneak peek at cutting-edge equipment that will surely be contributing to new world records at the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games."

Indeed, there is a special focus on Olympic equipment and apparel at this year's event, with particular emphasis on unique equipment designed especially to address the diverse needs, positions and functions of athletes of all abilities. In fact, the first Paralympics were held in Rome in 1960, and the 10th edition will take place during Vancouver's Winter Games next year.

The layout of the exhibition is separated into sections featuring the equipment used in each sport, and the products on display have been selected to characterize the elements of innovative technologies, shapes, forms, and advanced manufacturing techniques indicative of their respective sports. Each section will also display apparel specific to each activity in disciplines where clothing and accessories allow athletes to compete at their best.

Whether your interest lies in mountaineering, cycling, racing, swimming, golfing, sailing, boxing, fencing, exercising, bodybuilding, riding, skating, skiing, or even juggling (not to mention relaxing), sport&design.it has something that will catch everyone's eye and is a welcome distraction from the oncoming chill of winter. The exhibition runs from today until the end of the month, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays (10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays and from noon until 7 p.m. on Sunday) at 1 Dundas Street East (Dundas Square at Dundas Station) in Toronto. Here's an inside tip for basketball fans: Marco Belinelli and Andrea Bargnani will be there on Saturday, October 24th, from 3 to 4 p.m.! Visit **www.italy4sportdesign.ca** for more details.

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VivaSport!

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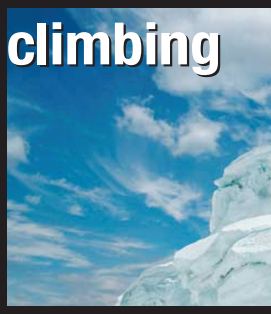
The recent trend towards looking and feeling good about ourselves has resulted in a proliferation of fitness equipment and machines in the marketplace. However, when they are well-designed, combine the insights of physician and designer, and are manufactured with an eye for aesthetics and detail, they are more likely to earn their place in our gyms, houses, living rooms and, increasingly, our workplaces.

boxing

In ancient times, Greek athletes protected their hands with simple strips of leather rolled around their wrists and knuckles, while the Romans made use of heavy gloves reinforced with inserts of lead and nails. Today's boxing equipment includes gloves with padded palms to absorb impact, as well as helmets designed to offer the highest level of protection. Even the notorious punching bag, over which legends of the sport as well as Stallone's Rocky have shed sweat and tears, has been revisited with modern materials.



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fencing

In this noble discipline, new materials and forms for the grips and blades of epees, foils, and sabers have been conceived. Jackets and breeches are manufactured to guarantee a better absorption of blows, whereas protective vests have become increasingly lightweight and flexible. Innovative materials are used for protective accessories such as masks, a specific shoe has been designed by a former swordsman, and gloves, once exclusively in leather, are now made mostly of neoprene.

golfing

In years past, golf equipment and attire were available only abroad or overseas; however, the sport is converting new adepts at a torrid pace. More and more companies and designers are entering this arena as the popularity of golf expands throughout Italy. Any avid golfer can now take to the greens donning apparel made in Italy from head to toe, with a lightweight golf bag in tow filled with accessories made from the most technologically advanced materials.

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horseback riding

To meet the needs of riders from a wide range of disciplines, Italian-made products are considered best-in-class owing to a long tradition of combining artisan skills and an intimate knowledge of the product with a constant pursuit of innovation. Today's saddles are masterpieces of ergonomic design, while riding boots provide comfort with a maximum amount of support and shock absorption. Even helmets, with a mixture of cutting-edge technology and design, are increasingly effective in protecting the head from trauma.

skating

From the first skates made of deer horns or moose bones to today's high-tech products created with innovative materials, research has brought a considerable amount of change to all forms of skating. Boot, frame, blade, or bearings can all be adjusted for a custom fit and the perfect center of gravity on ice, while inline skates are manufactured to reduce weight while guaranteeing rigidity and resistance. Protective accessories, especially helmets, are also ergonomically designed for safety and comfort without detracting from current fashion trends.

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cycling

Cycling is among the most widely enjoyed sports in Italy, with many manufacturers and designers in the industry former racers themselves. Bicycles are designed with more aerodynamic forms, and shoes have been re-engineered to decrease their weight while increasing functionality thanks to new locks, straps, and buckles. A new generation of cycling helmets has emerged to ensure protection while offering the most aerodynamic profile, and clothing has mirrored this trend by employing innovative technical materials and textiles specifically combined for comfort and performance.

fitness & exercising

A study conducted at McMaster University revealed that a mere 6 minutes a week of exercise, if approached with discipline and sufficient effort, can equal the efforts of 6 hours of training. No longer bound to the Latin expression mens sana in corpore sano ("healthy mind in a healthy body"), fitness now revolves around a well-trained physique and the concept of overall wellbeing, whether at the gym or at home.

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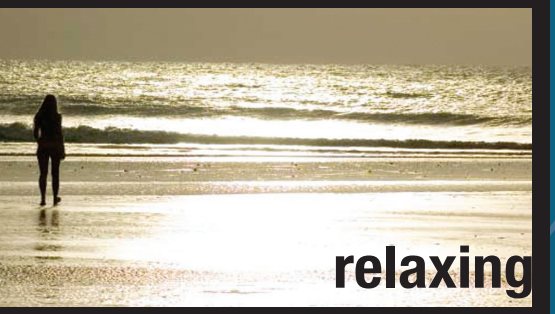
racing

Whether in cars or on motorcycles, racing is a trademark of Italians. This year's lineup features a great numbers of products. Wheels, seats, seat belts, harnesses, gloves, helmets and eyewear are designed with both safety and style in mind. Racing suits bear the names of the racers who wear them, shoes are designed for the optimal riding position and some jackets are even outfitted with airbags!



relaxing

Many of today's most fashion-forward individuals have been known to wear clothing, footwear, and accessories that achieve a sporty look off the field. This trend has roots leading back to the last century, when people identified with their chosen team or star athlete through their choice of sports attire. This phenomenon, besides giving rise to celebrity endorsement, sponsorship marketing and merchandising, further explains the attention and refined design with which all modern sportswear is created.

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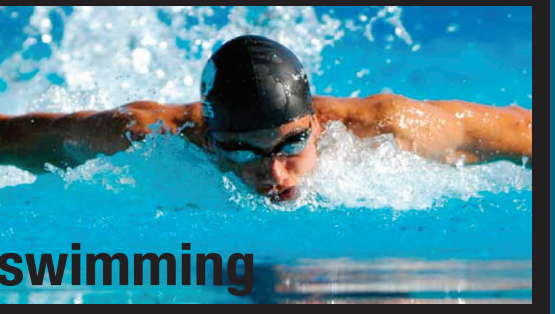
sailing

Italy has a rich and long-standing tradition of design and shipbuilding. Watercrafts, however, are not the only fixtures on the water; sailors, too, are competing for the eye of the fashion-conscious. It is for them that specific clothing and accessories have been engineered, using modern materials to protect wearers from salt and abrasions while maintaining comfort. Shoes and glasses alike are now equally high-tech, designed for style but also to push the boundaries of technology in the true spirit of industrial design.



swimming

Whether gliding on the surface or fully submerged, a wide range of equipment is vital to athletes and amateurs alike; many of these items have been revisited to take advantage of new materials and technologies—both to improve performance and to enhance comfort—with a focus on ergonomics. At the recent World Championships in Rome, for example, particular attention was directed towards swimming attire, with the aim of reducing resistance and drag in the water and to increase buoyancy.

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THE ITALIAN Connection

Take an inside look at the organization behind the exhibition

This year's sport&design.it exhibit at Dundas Square has piqued the interest of both athletes and sports fans alike, and buzz is being generated about the organizers behind the event. Who are they? What do they do? And why are they showcasing Italian sports equipment in such an artistic fashion?

The Italian Trade Commission (Istituto nazionale per il Commercio Estero—or ICE for short) is a government agency involved with the promotion of trade, the internationalization of Italian companies, and the awareness of made in Italy products in markets around the world. They provide foreign companies with up-do-date information on Italian laws and regulations and perform a wide range of services required to strengthen investor relations with the Italian market. Working under the Ministry of International Trade, the Commission has offices in over 80 countries around the world, one of which is in downtown Toronto. And among their many social strengths, the ICE makes a number of presentations every year to educate businesses and consumers on the joys of purchasing Italian-made products. To this end, sport&design.it is shaping up to be a huge success in delighting audiences in all sectors.

Trade Commissioner Paolo Ponti is extremely pleased to be involved in sport&design.it, and it shows. "Italy has long been regarded as a leader for its contribution to the design and manufacturing of objects renowned for their aesthetics, quality and performance," he explains with pride. "We have created this exhibit to promote Italian sports equipment, and to show that this reputation for excellence extends far beyond industries like furniture, lighting and fashion."

Indeed, though Italy has been the birthplace of many renowned athletes, it is not often considered top-of-mind when it comes to sports equipment. However, many of these athletes have turned their attention to the development of products that will enhance the performance of both professional and amateur sports enthusiasts, and these products are showcased at this year's event.

Technology, it seems, is another focus of sport&design.it. "It is clear that new materials are having an increased impact on performance across all sports and disciplines," Ponti adds. "Italian manufacturers are leading this technological revolution, creating products defined not only by their unmistakable attention to detail, but by a common trait of weightlessness, both in appearance and as a key physical characteristic."

Indeed, the ICE has ensured that a wide range of sports and activities will be covered, and they are confident that, once you've walked into the sport&design.it exhibit at Dundas Square, you'll wish everything was made in Italy. For more information, including a calendar of events and a link to the ICE website, please visit **www.italy4sportdesign.ca**

Italy for Sport

The Italian Trade Commission presents a unique opportunity for Canadian businesses

The sport&design.it exhibit at Dundas Square is geared towards consumers looking to learn more about stylistic and technological advancements in Italian sporting goods, but what of the businesses who wish to capitalize on this current fashion trend by stocking these items in their stores?

Well, the Italian Trade Commission (Istituto nazionale per il Commercio Estero—or ICE for short), besides having a propensity for generating interest in Italian-made goods through large-scale consumer exhibitions, has also created a business-to-business conference precisely for companies who are interested in selling products that are exclusively made in Italy.

ICE is offering the rare opportunity to allow businesses to meet with the companies responsible for the items showcased at sport&design.it on an appointment-only, one-on-one basis. Distributors, wholesalers, and retailers are invited to the Toronto Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre Hotel for a one-day industry exploration of all that Italy has to offer in the way of fashionable, stylish, and state-of-the-art sporting equipment. This will not only be an excellent chance for businesses to get in on the ground floor of what's hot and happening in Italian design and sport but, by its presentation alongside the sport&design.it exhibit, it will allow consumers to learn about Italy's offerings from an end-user perspective before they have the chance to purchase them in-store.

If you're interested in providing your customers with the highest quality Italian-made sports equipment, apparel, and accessories, you are invited to the King Room on the second floor of the Toronto Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre (525 Bay Street) on Monday, October 26 from 9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. for this exclusive event. For more information and to book your individual appointment, please visit **www.italtrade.com** or call (416) 598-1566.

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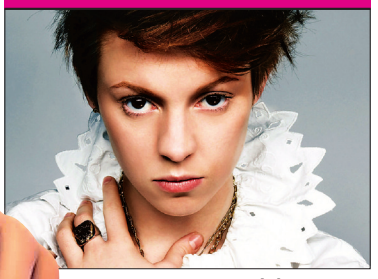

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Boy, what a bummer

Astro **Boy**

Director: David Bowers
Stars: Nicolas Cage, Kristen Bell
Classification: PG
Rating: ⊕⊕½

On the web

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STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

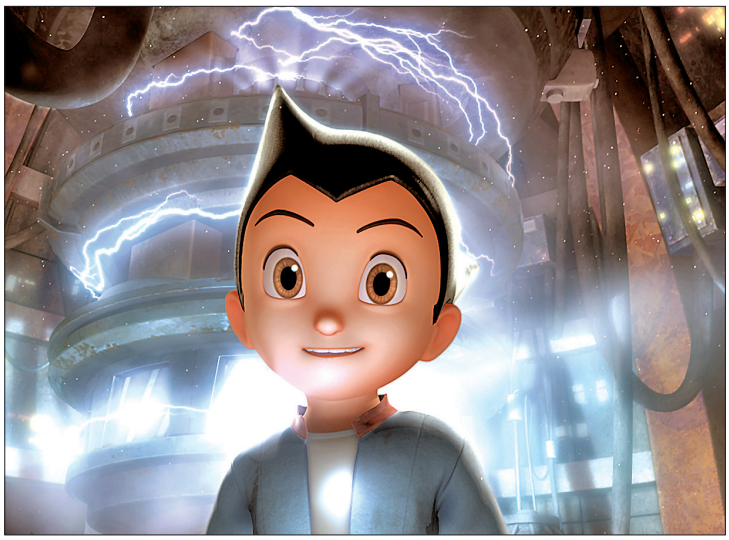
In Canada, we may never have been able to fully appreciate the lore that is Astro Boy.

Sure, the character has been around for generations and been credited as the genesis of anime, but here in the Great White North, I don't recall the omnipresence of that little robot anymore than say, Hammy Hamster.

Still one cannot discount Osamu Tezuka's influential creation and the overdue splash on to the big-screen that should definitely excite a few fanboys.

For those uneducated in the ways of Astro Boy, his story is thus: When the son of accomplished scientist Dr. Tenma (Nicolas Cage) is tragically killed, he constructs a robot in the child's image. Although he gave the android incredible powers, Tenma casts the unfulfilling surrogate away to Earth — now a trash heap a la Wall-E.

There, Astro Boy befriends a group of stray ghettoized children while being chased by the oppressive government for his special "blue" energy powers. This all, of course, represent more sophisticated allegories than the intended younger demographic of the film can likely understand — which does cause one to question, who is this movie for?


The Hollywood version of Osamu Tezuka's influential creation Astro Boy is playing in theatres.

While Astro Boy has its cult following (which dates back to the 1950s), this movie is surely designed for children. As such, it's colourful, playful and the kiddies will giggle with glee but it's not necessarily for Astro Boy fans. While striving for heady themes may give pause to some diehards, the overly common story will supply slumber to most adults sitting in the cinema. As for me, I'm afraid that after seeing Astro Boy, the phenomenon still has no more prestige than a talented hamster.

Education doesn't cut deep

An **Education**

Director: Lone Scherfig
Stars: Carey Mulligan, Peter Sarsgaard
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW The title of Lone Scherfig's Oscar-baiting '60s period piece An Education is a double-entendre: For starters, it refers to the Oxford aspirations of its protagonist, Jenny (Carey Mulligan), a 16-year-old girl bumping up against the stifling atmosphere of her suburban private school.

But it also encompasses the more practical lessons she learns during her unexpected and whirlwind romance with David (Peter Sarsgaard), an older man whose seductive worldliness belies motives cloudier than the suburban London skies.

Complications ensue, of course. Jenny's parents and teachers understandably blanch at the borderline-scandalous union.

But despite its thorny dramatic particulars, Nick Hornby's screenplay — adapted from a memoir by British journalist Lynn Barber — doesn't cut particularly deep.

The period details are vivid, and the actors — especially It Girl Mulligan and Alfred Molina as her class-anxious father — do solid work.

Their work is undercut, however, by the drab predictability of the major character arcs and Scherfig and Hornby's ultimately timorous artistry.

Hilary Swank as the legendary aviatrix in Amelia.

Amelia grounded by narrative

Amelia

Director: Mira Nair
Stars: Richard Gere, Hilary Swank
Classification: PG
Rating: ⊕⊕½

NED EHRBAR
for Metro Canada

REVIEW It should be easy to make an exciting movie about Amelia Earhart, the first female pilot to fly across the Atlantic who disappeared during the tail end of an attempted round-the-world flight.

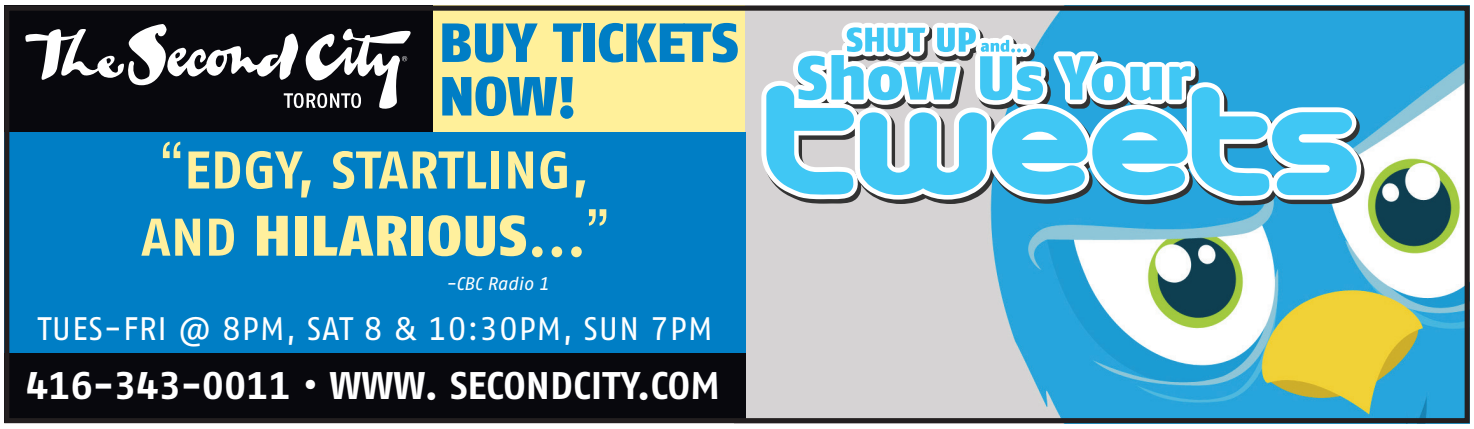
It's all there: The excitement and risk or early aviation, breaking down gender barriers, the glamour and adventure of being a famous aviatrix. But apparently the folks behind Amelia aren't up to the challenge. What they offer instead is a long, boring slog toward an ending everyone already knows, with little narrative thrust or sense of adventure.

The movie is pretty, to be sure, with rich cinematography, gorgeous costumes and period details and absolutely thrilling flight sequences. The problem is that as soon as a human being comes on screen, the air goes out of it. To see Hilary Swank, Richard Gere and Ewan McGregor with so little charisma is a shame, with Swank particularly disappointing.

Given the character's history, her Amelia is incredibly passive, marvelling wide-eyed as Gere's George Putnam makes her decisions for her for the first half of the film.

Most of the exciting achievements in Earhart's life are covered with clumsy, trite newsreel footage and spiralling newspaper front pages. There is nothing in this movie to suggest that it was made in 2009, let alone that it was directed by Mira Nair, who has shown such flair and originality in earlier films. This one never really takes off.

- For Amelia photos, trailer and screen times — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies



Davis on a roll

Somebody give Viola Davis' agent a raise. The actress has signed on not one, but two dotted lines, joining It's Kind Of A Funny Story as well as David Schwimmer's sophmore directorial effort, Trust. **EMPIREONLINE.COM**

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Saw VI: Back to horror movie torture chamber

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

Movie **feature**

Much like death and taxes, the annual appearance of yet another movie in the incredibly popular Saw series is inevitable.

The sixth entry in the franchise opens today but the blood spattered Saw legacy first hacked into the collective pop culture consciousness back in 2004 with James Wan and Ligh Wannell's original film — a grim, deadly serious psycho thriller about a serial killer named Jigsaw (Tobin Bell) who dispatches his victims with diabolical traps.

Saw VI is helmed by long time series editor Kevin Greutert. His aim with Saw VI is to return to the wince inducing levels of gore that have made the series such a success … and then surpass them.

"There is a bigger cast this time, and yes, a bigger, bloodier body count," he says. "I can't give you the exact number of deaths, because then people will count them down and be like, 'Oh man, only one more guy to die!'

The film follows the further of adventures of Jigsaw's disciple Hoffman (Costas Mandylor), who has taken over the murderous reigns with delight.

But one thing that is common knowledge is that — despite his being killed off in Saw III — Bell's Jigsaw once again looms large, thanks to an endless spate of flashbacks.

"A Saw film must have Tobin, that's it," says Greutert. "He's totally involved and he demands there be integrity in the script and to his character. His face is and will forever be, associated with the series and he has tremendous pull with the producers."

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Meryl Streep no Julia Child

Meryl Streep may have starred as chef-legend Julia Child in Julie & Julia but in real life she is nothing more than an OK cook. "I cook OK. I cook every night, so every night is not great," Streep said Thursday at the Rome Film Festival. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Substance over style

The September **Issue**

Director: RJ Cutler
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

The September Issue reveals the world of legendary Vogue editor Anna Wintour.

In 1992, RJ Cutler produced an acclaimed documentary about Bill Clinton's presidential campaign called The War Room. That title would have been equally applicable to the director's new documentary, The September Issue, which details the military precision behind the creation of the western world's most influential fashion tome.

That would be Vogue magazine, and the film opens with its editor — the legendary Anna Wintour — rallying the troops with the news that the September 2007 issue will be the biggest in the magazine's history.

The film's hook is Cutler's unprecedented access to a process — and an editor — typically unveiled via gossipy industry tell-alls: The great surprise of The September Issue is its strenuous avoidance of either callow, aren't-these-folks-silly critique or EPK-style brand-flogging (for an example of the latter, see the dreadful profile doc Valentino).

By taking the task at hand as seriously as his subjects, Cutler illuminates the artistry and professionalism behind images too easily — and conveniently — dismissed as the image-culture equivalent of empty calories.

That's not to say that there isn't interpersonal drama: the film's throughline is a battle of will between Wintour and her longtime friend and collaborator Grace Coddington, whose role as Vogue's creative director gives her more wiggle room than most when it comes to crossing the boss.

(The disagreement stems from Wintour's disparaging assessment of one of Coddington's much-fussed over layouts).

It's an inherently catty dynamic, but where another director might have played it up, Cutler allows both women their dignity, and in doing so leaves the audience's intact as well.

Wedding Song a sobering drama

The **Wedding Song**

Director: Karin Albou
Stars: Lizzie Brochere
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Award-winning filmmaker Karin Albou's The Wedding Song is far from stirring up the romantic notions its simple title invokes.

Instead, this Tunisian-set drama is a sobering look a two struggling life-long friends from different cultures during the Second World War.

Myriam (Lizzie Brocheré) is a young Jewish teen whose Muslim counterpart Nour (Olympe Borval) is planning to get married.

But just as the event is suddenly postponed until the fiancé can find work, Myriam is coerced into getting hitched herself to a rich suitor when the occupying Nazis initiate an impossibly high fine to Jewish Tunisians.

"There's a war on," encourages her mother, simply reminding us that reason quickly becomes expendable during wartime.

As fear escalates and alliances form, the pair's friendship churns through the ultimate test of faith.

Although it's a slow-pitched drama loaded with cultural and political subtext, The Wedding Song is most powerful for Albou's strong female perspective, which she explores with an equal combination of desire and dissent.

Indeed, one provocative scene in which Myriam must prepare for her own unsought marriage by being forced to have her body waxed is as powerful and gripping as images of SS soldiers goose-stepping through the town courtyard.

Cruise in demand for dance show
Mary Murphy isn't the only one who would like to see Tom Cruise as a guest judge on So You Think You Can Dance. "Tom loves the show, so I hope so," new permanent judge Adam Shankman says. EONLINE.COM

Reel Time

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Amelia takes flight again

What do Coco Chanel, Queen Victoria and aviatrix Amelia Earhart have in common? All are women, made headlines and smashed barriers, becoming feminist icons in the process.

They are also all being given the big screen treatment this year in big Oscar bait movies. Coco Avant Chanel is in theatres, The Young Victoria comes out in December and this weekend Hilary Swank plays Earhart in Amelia.

None are strangers to posthumous celebrity; Victoria has been portrayed on screen almost 100 times by everyone ranging from Glenda Jackson to Michael Palin, but Earhart, a pioneering female pilot who disappeared over the Pacific during a circumnavigational flight of the globe attempt in 1937, has enjoyed a particularly good pop culture run of late.

She's been featured in Apple Computer's Think Different ads, Buck 65 rapped about her in Blood of a Young Wolf, and last year Amy Adams made her flesh and blood in Night at the Museum 2: Battle of the Smithsonian.

Academy Award winner Swank's take on the character is the eighth time Earhart has been immortalized on screen, not counting Jane Lynch's portrayal of her in The Aviator which ended up on the cutting room floor, but she isn't the first Oscar winner to play the fly queen.

Amy Adams played Amelia Earhart in the recently released Night at The Museum 2: Battle of the Smithsonian.

In Flight for Freedom, honorary Oscar holder Rosalind Russell played Tonie Carter, a character based on Earhart.

The film and Russell's flamboyant performance popularized the unsubstantiated notion that Earhart's disappearance was a result of clandestine work for the U.S. Navy.

That theory was furthered by a TV movie (subsequently released as a theatrical feature) called Amelia Earhart: The Final Flight. Starring Oscar winner Diane Keaton, the movie suggested the doomed flight was financed by the navy in exchange for her reports of suspicious Japanese activity in the South Pacific.

Whether or not Earhart would have approved of any of these portrayals we'll never know, but at least Swank says she tried to be respectful of Earhart's legacy.

Richard Crouse's Movie Show can be seen every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on the E! Channel; mrchaos33@hotmail.com.

Stan Helsing parody far behind its time

Stan Helsing
Director: Bo Zenga
Stars: Steve Howey, Diora Baird, Leslie Nielsen
Classification: STC
Rating: ●½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Stan Helsing opens with a disgruntled clerk whining about his job at Schlockbuster Video and that bad pun sums up the level of humour that writer/director Bo Zenga is going for.

The movie is a slapstick parody of horror fare that actually manages to succeed in making the Scary Movie franchise seem like high art. No bathroom joke, sexual reference, or pratfall is left unexplored. It's a collection of obvious gags that might have seemed funny before Airplane! was released almost 30 years ago, but now feels depressingly old hat.

Steve Howey stars as Stan Helsing, a distant relative of (wait for it) Van Helsing who must find the courage to fight off a parade of movie monsters on Halloween. Everyone from Michael Myers to Chucky and Pinhead makes a brief appearance, but their names are never said out loud to avoid any lawsuits.

Parody icon Leslie Nielsen pops up in drag in a brief cameo as a waitress and his presence does enliven the proceedings.

This is a lowest common denominator comedy. There's nothing wrong with that when it's done well, but the gags and genre parodies have been done so many times before that it feels like the screenplay was Xeroxed rather than written.

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Butler goes for The Bard

It appears Gerard Butler has abandoned romantic comedies in order to accept a role from England's greatest playwright. Yes, Butler is taking a role in William Shakespeare's Coriolanus alongside Ralph Fiennes and William Hurt. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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John C. Reilly, right, plays a disgruntled bloodsucker in The Vampire's Assistant.

Little bite with some funny bits

The Vampire's **Assistant**

Director: Paul Weitz
Stars: John C. Reilly, Chris Massoglia, Josh Hutcherson
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●●

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

The Vampire's Assistant is not a great movie. In many ways it's a failure. The confusing plot condenses two separate novels and the screenplay is filled with cheesy moments.

However, the movie also has a good sense of humour about itself (unlike a certain weepy teen vampire franchise) and features enough talented actors in the supporting cast to keep things entertaining. The film is hardly a masterpiece, but at least it's fun.

John C. Reilly stars as a disgruntled vampire (is there any other kind?) who lives with a bizarre travelling freak show called the Cirque Du Freak.

Two teens discover the show and sneak their way in, only to end up becoming vampires themselves.

There's also a backstory involving a massive inter-vampire war, but frankly that doesn't really matter.

The plot is confusing and vague. It's all set up for future entries in the franchise with several movies worth of material crammed into the almost two hour running time. Fortunately, the film moves along at such a swift pace and features so many hilarious supporting roles that it's hard not to be entertained.

American Pie helmer Paul Weitz directs and while he tries a little too hard to make things visually interesting with a relentlessly moving camera, he does a good job keeping the convoluted story moving and the laughs coming.

Reilly doesn't quite manage the level of menace that his character should have, but he nails the comedic aspects of the role well enough to make it work. For a comedy/horror film aimed at teens, The Vampire's Assistant is surprisingly good.

• For The Vampire's Assistant photos, trailers and screen times, visit metronews.ca/movies

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Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1-3:50-6:50-9:30 No Passes Wed 1-2-3:50-4:50-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:15 No Passes Thu 1-2-3:50-4:50-7:40-9:30-10:15 No Passes Fri-Tue 2-4:50-7:40-10:30
District 9 (14A) Fri 1:15-4:20-7:15-10:15 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:20-7:20-10:15 Mon 1:15-4:20-7:15-10:15 Tue 1:15-4:20-10:15
Good Hair (PG) Fri-Tue 1:20-4-6:30-9:20 Wed 1:20-4-6:50-9:45 Thu 1:20-4-6:30-9:20
Inglourious Basterds (14A) Fri-Tue 12:20-3:30-7:10-10:30 Wed 12:20-3:30-10:30 Thu 12:20-3:30-7:10-10:30
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 1:10-3:45-6:20-9:10 Sat 1:10-6:20-9:10 Sun-Mon 1:10-3:45-6:20-9:10 Tue 1:10-3:45-6:20 Wed 1:10-3:45-6:20-9:10 Thu 12:40-6:20-9:10
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01-12:10 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 1-4-7:10
NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7
Saw VI (18A) Fri-Mon 1:30-4:30-7:9:40 Tue 1:30-4:30-7:9:45 Wed-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:9:40 Fri-Thu 12:30-3-5:30-8:10:30
Stark Raving Black (STC) Thu 7
Surrogates (PG) Fri 12:50-3:10-6:15-9 Sat 6:15-9 Sun 12:50-3:10-6:15-9 Mon 12:50-3:10-9:45 Tue 12:50-3:10-6:15
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 12:45-3:15-7:30-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:20-6:45-10:10 No Passes Mon 12:45-3:15-10:10 No Passes Tue-Thu 12:45-3:15-7:30-10:10
Where the Wild Things Are: The IMAX Experience (PG) No Passes Fri 1:45-4:15-6:45-9:15 No Passes Sat-Sun 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:45-4:15-6:45-9:15
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Mon 1:50-4:40-7:50-10:20 Tue 1:50-4:40-7:50 Wed-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:50-10:20

MARKET SQUARE
80 Front St., 416-494-9371

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:20-7:9:20-11:35 Sun-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:9:20
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:10-6:40-9:10
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sat 1:15-3:50-6:50-9:25-11:30 Sun-Thu 1:15-3:50-6:50-9:25
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Tue 12:01 Wed-Thu 1-4-6:45-9:15
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sat 1:30-4:15-7:15-9:35-11:40 Sun-Wed 1:30-4:15-7:15-9:35 Thu 4:15-7:15-9:35 Thu 1
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri-Sat 1-3:40-6:30-9:11:15 Sun-Thu 1-3:40-6:30-9
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:10-5:10-7:10-9:30

REVUE CINEMA
400 Roncesvalles Ave., 416-531-9959

Bride of Frankenstein (STC) Thu 7
Carrie (STC) Wed 9:30
Cuba Film Festival (STC) Fri 7-9
The Dark Hours (STC) Wed 7
Extract (14A) Sat-Mon 9:15
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Sat-Sun 4
Prince of Darkness (STC) Tue 9 Thu 9:30
Shorts (PG) Sat-Sun 2
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Sat-Tue 7

THE ROYAL
608 College St., 416-466-4400

Bravo Fact Screening (STC) Tue 7
The Enchanted Word (STC) Sun 5:10
The Houdini Code (STC) Thu
Madame Satã (STC) Fri 7
The Man Who Bottled Clouds (STC) Sat 5
The Mystery of Samba (STC) Fri 3:30 Sun 3:40
Pierre Verger (STC) Sun 2
Private Screening (STC) Wed 7
Riding High (STC) Fri 9
Romance (STC) Sat 7
The Room (STC) Fri 11:30
That's It (STC) Sat 9
This is Pele (STC) Fri-Sat 2
Tom's House (STC) Fri 5:30 Sat 3:30
Zombies: When the Dead Walk (STC) Thu 7

VARSITY
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4:20-7:10-10
Cairo Time (STC) Fri-Thu 2-4:10-6:40-9:20
Coco Avant Chanel (French w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:40-6:20-9 Fri-Wed 12:55-3:15-6:45-9:35 Thu 12:55-3:15-9:35
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4-6:50-9:40
An Education (PG) Fri-Thu 1:3:50-7-9:50 Fri-Thu 1:35-4:15-6:25-9:05
The Informant! (14A) Fri-Thu 4:30-9:55
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-7:20
The September Issue (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-5-7:30-10:05 Fri-Thu 2:05-4:35-7:15-9:25
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-3:20-6:30-9:10 No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-6:55-9:45

CANADA SQUARE
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri 4:25-6:50-9:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:10-4:25-6:50-9:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:25-6:50-9:20
Astro Boy (PG) Fri 4:35-6:55-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:35-6:55-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:35-6:55-9:10
Cairo Time (STC) Fri 4:15-6:30-9 Sat-Sun 1:55-4:15-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 4:15-6:30-9
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri 4-7-9:50 Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:50
Good Hair (PG) Fri 4:45-7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:45-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:10-9:30
The Informant! (14A) Fri 4:55-7:25-9:45 Sat-Sun 2:05-4:55-7:25-9:45 Mon-Tue 4:55-7:25-9:45
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 4:40-7:15-9:40 Sat-Sun 2-4:40-7:15-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:15-9:40
The Stepfather (14A) Wed-Thu 4:55-7:25-9:45
Whip It (PG) Fri 4:05-6:35-9:25 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:05-6:35-9:25 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:35-9:25

MT. PLEASANT THEATRE
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

Bright Star (PG) Fri 7-9:30 Sat 4:15-7-9:30 Sun 4:15-7 Tue-Wed 7 Thu 7-9:15
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon

REGENT THEATRE
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

Inglourious Basterds (14A) Fri-Sat 9:15 Sun 7 Thu 9:15
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:15 Tue 7 Thu 7

YONGE-EGLINTON CENTRE
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:50-3:30-6:40-9:30 No Passes Sun-Mon 12:50-3:30-6:20-9:10 No Passes Tue 12:50-3:30-6:40-9:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:50-3:20-6:10-9:10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Sat 1-3:45-6:50-9:20 Sun-Mon 1-3:45-6:30-9 Tue 1-3:45-6:50-9:20 Wed 1:15-3:30-6:45-9 Thu 1-3:30-6:45-9
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sat 1:15-4-7-9:50 Sun-Mon 1:15-4-6:40-9:20 Tue 1:15-4-7-9:50 Wed 3:50-6:30-9:20 Thu 1:10-3:50-6:30-9:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 1:45-4:30-7:20-10:10 Sat 1:45-4:30 Sun-Mon 1:45-4:30-7:9:50 Tue 1:45-4:30-7:20-10:10 Wed-Thu 1:45-4:30-7-9:50 Sat 7:20-10:10
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:40-3:5:30-8:10:30 No Passes Sun-Mon 12:40-3-5:20-7:40-10 No Passes Tue 12:40-3-5:30-8:10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:45-3-5:20-7:40-10 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01
Saw VI (18A) Fri 12:30-2:45-5:15-7:50-10:20 Sat 12:30-2:45-5:20-7:50-10:20 Sun-Mon 12:30-2:45-5:10-7:30-10 Tue 12:30-2:45-5:15-7:50-10:20 Wed-Thu 12:30-2:45-5:10-7:30-10
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 2:30-5-7:40-10:30 Sat 7:40-10:30 Sun-Mon 2:30-4:50-7:20-9:45 Tue 2:30-5-7:40-10:30
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:30-4:15-7:10-9:40 No Passes Sun-Mon 1:30-4:15-6:50-9:30 No Passes Tue 1:30-4:15-7:10-9:40 No Passes Wed 4:15-6:50-9:30 No Passes Thu 1:30-4:15-6:50-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Zombieland (14A) Fri 2:15-4:45-7:30-10 Sat 7:30-10 Sun-Mon 2:15-4:40-7:10-9:40 Tue 2:15-4:45-7:30-10 Wed-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:10-9:45

YONGE & DUNDAS 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

Astro Boy (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:05-3:05-4:35-5:25-6:50-7:50-9:20-10:20 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:35-12:35-2:05-3:05-4:35-5:25-6:50-7:50-9:20-10:20 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:05-3:05-4:35-5:25-6:50-7:50-9:20-10:20
Cairo Time (STC) Fri 2:50-5:05-7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:25-2:50-5:05-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:05-7:10-9:50
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri 1:55-4:25-7:20-9:25 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:55-4:25-7:20-9:25 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:25-7:20-9:25
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Digital Fri 1:45-4-6:40-9 Digital Sat-Sun 11:1:45-4-6:40-9 Digital Mon-Thu 1:45-4-6:40-9
Coco Before Chanel (PG) Fri 1:30-4:20-7:05-9:35 Sat-Sun 10:55-1:30-4:20-7:05-9:35 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:35
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 2-2:40-4-4:40-5:20-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:40-10:20-11 Sat 10:40-11:20-12-1:20-2-2:40-4-4:40-5:20-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:40-10:20-11 Sun 10:40-11:20-12-1:20-2-2:40-4-4:40-5:20-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:40-10:20 Mon-Wed 2-2:40-4-4:40-5:20-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:40-10:20 Thu 2-2:40-4-4:40-5:20-7:30-8:15-10:20
District 9 (14A) Wed-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:20-10:05
Eating Buccaneers (STC) Fri 1:35-4:05-7:05-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:25-1:35-4:05-7:05-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:35-4:05-7:05-9:40
Fame (PG) Fri 3:35-6:15-8:45 Sat-Sun 1:05-3:35-6:15-8:45 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:15-8:45
Haeundae (STC) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:35-7-9:55
The Informant! (14A) Fri 1:50-4:30-7:15-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:50-4:30-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:15-9:50
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Special Engagement Fri 2:45-5:45-8:40-11:15 Special Engagement Sat 12-2:45-5:45-8:40-11:15 Special Engagement Sun 12-2:45-5:45-8:40 Mon-Thu 1:45-3:45-4:45-6:40-7:40-9:30-10:30 Special Engagement Fri 1:45-3:45-4:45-6:40-7:40-9:30-10:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11-12:45-1:45-3:45-4:45-6:40-7:40-9:30-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:45-8:40
Love Happens (PG) Fri 2:55-5:15-7:50-10:25 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:55-5:15-7:50-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:55-5:15-7:50-10:25
Paranormal Activity (14A) Fri 1:45-2:30-3:30-4:15-5:5:45-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:15-10:15-10:45-11:15 Sat 10:45-11:30-12:15-1:1:45-2:30-3:30-4:15-5:5:45-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:15-10:15-10:45-11:15 Sun 10:45-11:30-12:15-1:1:45-2:30-3:30-4:15-5:5:45-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:15-10:15-10:45 Mon-Thu 1:45-2:30-3:30-4:15-5:5:45-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:15-10:15-10:45
The Stepfather (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:55-2:40-4:20-5:20-7:8-9:55-10:55 Special Engagement Sat 11:20-12:10-1:55-2:40-4:20-5:20-7:8-9:55-10:55 Special Engagement Sun 11:20-12:10-1:55-2:40-4:20-5:20-7:8-9:55-10:40 Mon-Thu 1:55-2:40-4:20-5:20-7:8-9:55-10:40
Whip It (PG) Fri 1:25-3:25-4:25-6:10-7:10-9-10 Sat-Sun 10:50-12:25-1:25-3:25-4:25-6:10-7:10-9-10 Mon-Tue 1:35-3:25-4:25-6:10-7:10-9-10 Wed-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:10-10

WEST END

ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

All the Best (PG) Fri 3:15-6:15-9:15 Sat 12-3-6-9 Sun 3-6-9 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30
Blue (PG) Fri 3:45-6:30-9:15 Sat-Sun 1-3:45-6:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 4-6:45-9:15

QUEENSWAY
1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1-4:10-7:10-10:05 No Passes Wed 4:10-7:10-10:05 No Passes Thu 1-4:10-7:10-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:55-6:30-9:10
Cairo Time (STC) Fri 1:50-4:25-7:35-9:55 Sat 12:50-7:35-9:55 Sun-Tue 1:50-4:25-7:35-9:55 Wed 1:50-4:25-9:55 Thu 1:50-4:25-7:35-9:55
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:50-6:45-9:50
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-4:20-7:25-10:10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Wed 12:55-3:25-6:50-9:30 Thu 12:55-3:25-9:30
Coco Avant Chanel (French w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri 12:50-3:35-6:20-9:20 Sat 3:35-6:20-9:20 Sun-Thu 12:50-3:35-6:20-9:20
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-7:05-10:20
The Informant! (14A) Fri 1:30-4:40-7:20-10:15 Sat 7:20-10:15 Sun-Tue 1:30-4:40-7:20-10:15
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:45-6:25-9:15
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Tue 1:10-4:30-7:30-10:25 Wed-Thu 1:10-4:35-7:20-10:15
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:30
NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7
Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:30-2:55-5:15-7:45-10:25
Saw VI (18A) Fri-Thu 12:30-1:25-2:50-4-5:20-7-7:55-9:40-10:30
Stark Raving Black (STC) Thu 7
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Tue 1-3:30-6:15-9 Wed 3:30-6:15-9 Thu 1-3:30-6:15-9 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:45-3:20-6:40-9:25 No Passes Fri-Thu 1:35-4:15-7:15-10
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:05-6:35-9:35

WOODBINE CENTRE
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-2:50-5-7:10-9:20
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:50-6:50-9:15
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:35-4:45-6:50-9
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7-9:25
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-4-6:45-9:20
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Wed-Thu 1-4-7-9:35
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:45-7:05-9:40
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4:05-6:55-9:10
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Tue 1-4-7-9:35

EAST END

BEACH CINEMAS
1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 4:50-7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:30
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4-6:50-9:40 Sat 1-6:50-9:40 Sun 1-4-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:40
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 4:15-7-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:15-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7-9:40
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 7-10
Saw VI (18A) Fri 5:15-7:40-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:50-5:15-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:40-10:10
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 4:45-7:20-9:50 No Passes Sat 1:40-4:40-7:20-9:50 No Passes Sun 1:50-4:45-7:20-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:20-9:50
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sat 4:30-7:30-9:50 Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-9:50 Mon-Tue 7:30-9:50

FOX THEATRE
2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330

(500) Days of Summer (PG) Wed 1:30
Alien (STC) Thu 7
Aliens (STC) Thu 9
An American Werewolf in London (STC) Wed 9
Big Trouble in Little China (STC) Wed 7
Dirty Dancing (STC) Tue 7
Ghost (STC) Tue 9
The Informant! (14A) Fri 9 Sat-Sun 4-9 Mon 9
Up (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 2-7 Mon 7

NORTH YORK

SHEPPARD GRANDE
4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri 4:10-7-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:10-7-9:50
Astro Boy (PG) Fri 3:30-6:50-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:50-9:45
Cairo Time (STC) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:10 Sat 6:30-9:10 Sun 1-3:40-6:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:30-9:10
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri 4-6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:45-4-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-6:40-9:30
Coco Avant Chanel (French w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri 3:50-6:45-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:45-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:45-9:40
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4:40-7:15-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:40-7:15-10:10 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:15-10:10
The Damned United (14A) Fri 4:20-7:30-9:55 Sat 7:30-9:55 Sun 1:15-7:30-9:55 Mon-Tue 4:20-7:30-9:55 Wed 4:20-9:55 Thu 4:20-7:30-9:55
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7
A Serious Man (14A) Fri 4:30-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:10-10
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 5-7:20-10:05 Sat-Sun 2-5-7:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 5-7:20-10:05
Yoo-Hoo, Mrs. Goldberg (G) Fri 3:45-6:20-9:20 Sat 9:20 Sun 12:40-3:45-6:20-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:20-9:20

EMPRESS WALK
5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Stadium Seating Fri 4-6:50-9:20-11:45 Stadium Seating Sat 1:15-4-6:50-9:20-11:45 Stadium Seating Sun 1:15-4-6:50-9:20 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 4-6:50-9:20 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 1:15-4-6:50-9:20
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Stadium Seating Fri 4:50-7:10-9:30 Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:10-9:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 4:50-7:10-9:30
The Inglorious Bastards (STC) Stadium Seating Fri 5:15-8:30-11:40 Stadium Seating Sat 2-5:15-8:30-11:40 Stadium Seating Sun 2-5:15-8:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 5:15-8:30
The Invention of Lying (PG) Stadium Seating Fri 4:40-7:20-9:40-11:50 Stadium Seating Sat 2:10-4:40-7:20-9:40-11:50 Stadium Seating Sun 2:10-4:40-9:40 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 4:40-7:20-9:40 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 2:10-4:40-7:20-9:40
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Stadium Seating Fri 5-7:45-10:25 Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 2:20-5-7:45-10:25 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 5-7:45-10:25 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 2:20-5-7:45-10:25
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Stadium Seating, No Passes Tue 11:59 Stadium Seating, No Passes Wed-Thu 1:20-1:50-4:30-4:50-7:10-7:40-9:50-10:30
Paranormal Activity (14A) Stadium Seating

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ing, No Passes Fri 5:30-7:50-10:10-11:59 Stadium Seating, No Passes Sat 2:50-5:30-7:50-10:10-11:59 Stadium Seating, No Passes Sun 2:50-5:30-7:50-10:10 Stadium Seating, No Passes Mon 5:30-7:50-10:10 Stadium Seating Tue 5:30-7:50-10:10 Stadium Seating, No Passes Wed-Thu 2:50-5:30-7:50-10:10

Saw VI (18A) Stadium Seating Fri 5:10-7:30-10-11:55 Stadium Seating Sat 2:40-5:10-7:30-10-11:55 Stadium Seating Sun 2:40-5:10-7:30-10 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 5:10-7:30-10 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 2:40-5:10-7:30-10

Stan Helsing (STC) Stadium Seating Fri 4:20-6:40-9:10-11:30 Stadium Seating Sat 1:40-4:20-6:40-9:10-11:30 Stadium Seating Sun 1:40-4:20-6:40-9:10 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 4:20-6:40-9:10 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 1:40-4:20-6:40-9:10

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri 4:10-7:9:35 Stadium Seating, No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-7:9:35 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 4:10-7:9:35 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 1:30-4:10-7:9:35

WWE Bragging Rights (STC) Stadium Seating Sun 8

Zombieland (14A) Stadium Seating Fri 5:20-8:10:20 Stadium Seating Sat 2:30-5:20-8-10:20 Stadium Seating Sun 2:30-5:20-7:40 Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 5:20-8-10:20 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 2:30-5:20-8-10:20

SILVERCITY YORKDALE 6
3401 Dufferin St., 416-444-3456

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-6:50-9:40

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:45-6:45-9:20

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:50

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40

Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:15-10:45 No Passes Sun-Thu 2:15-5:7-50-10:15 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01

Saw VI (18A) Fri-Sat 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 Sun-Thu 1:45-4:15-7:15-10:15

The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:25

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:30-6:30-9:30

Zombieland (14A) Fri-Tue 2-4:50-7:40-10:10

SILVERCITY FAIRVIEW
1800 Sheppard Ave. E., 416-644-7746

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-2:40-5:7:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:40-5-7:30-10

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Wed 1:10-4:10-7:10-9:50

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:30-6:45-9:10

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:20 Mon-Wed 12:30-3:20-6:30-9:20

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sun 1-4-7-10:05 Mon-Wed 1-4-7-9:55 Thu 1-4-7:7:10-9:55-10

The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40

Saw VI (18A) Fri 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:40-10:10 Sat 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:40-10:15 Sun 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:40-10

Stark Raving Black (STC) Thu 7

The Stepfather (14A) Fri 1:20-4:30-7:20-10:15 Sat 1:20-7:20-10:15 Sun 1:20-4:30-7:20-10:15 Mon-Wed 1:20-4:30-7:20-9:45 Thu 1:20-4:30-9:45

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-6:50-9:30

Zombieland (14A) Fri 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Sat 3:40-6:40-9:40 Sun-Tue 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Thu 2:20-4:30-7:40-9:55

SCARBOROUGH

COLISEUM SCARBOROUGH
300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

Aadhavan (Tamil) (14A) Fri-Thu 2-6-9:40

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:50-9:50

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:30-6:10-9

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:05-6:40-9:10

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:20-10:25

The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 1:15-3:55-7:15-10:15 Sat 7:15-10:15 Sun-Tue 1:15-3:55-7:15-10:15

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10

The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:20-1-3:20-4-6:20-7-9:20-10

NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7

Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01

Peraanmai (Tamil) (STC) Fri-Tue 2:30-6:20-10:05 Wed 2:30-10:05 Thu 2:30-6:20-10:05

Saw VI (18A) Fri-Tue 1:40-4:30-7-9:30 Fri-Thu 12:15-2:40-5:10-7:45-10:20

Zombieland (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-3:50-6:30-9:15

EGLINTON TOWN CENTRE
1901 Eglinton Ave. E., 416-752-4494

Aadhavan (Tamil) (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-5-9 Mon-Thu 5-9

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-3:30-6:50-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-6:50-9:40

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 1:20-4-6:30-9:10 Mon-Tue 4-6:30-9:10 Wed-Thu 3:40-6:30-9:10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-4:05-7:15-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:05-7:15-10:15

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:20-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-10:10

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:15-6:45-9:15 Mon-Thu 4:15-6:45-9:15

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-7:10-10 Mon-Tue 3:50-7:10-10 Wed-Thu 3:50-7:10-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1

The Informant! (14A) Fri-Tue 9:50

The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Sun 12:55-3:20-7:05 Mon-Tue 3:35-7:05

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sun 1-4:10-7:9:45 Mon-Tue 4:10-7:9:45 Wed-Thu 4:10-7:05-9:45

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 4-4:50-7-7:45-10:10:30

Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:30-8-10:30

Saw VI (18A) Fri-Sun 12:40-1:40-2:50-4:20-5:10-6:40-7:40-9:20-10:20 Mon-Thu 4:20-5:10-6:40-7:40-9:20-10:20

The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sun 1:35-4:40-7:30-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:30-10:05

Surrogates (PG) Fri-Sun 1:25-3:40-6:35-9:35 Mon-Tue 3:40-6:35-9:35

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:15-3:55-6:55-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:55-6:55-9:30

Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:10-5:20-7:50-10:25 Mon-Thu 5:20-7:50-10:25

401 & MORNINGSIDE
785 Milner Ave., 416-281-2226

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:50-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:30-9

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:20-4-7-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 4-6:45-9:15

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:20-6:40-8:50 Mon-Thu 4:20-6:40-8:50

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:20-10:10 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:20-9:50

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:40-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:10-10

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 4-7-9:50

Saw VI (18A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:30-10:20 Mon-Thu 4:30-7-9:30

The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:40-10:25 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:40-10:15

Surrogates (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:20-6:45-9:15 Mon-Tue 3:25-6:15-9:10

Tyler Perry's I Can Do Bad All By Myself (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:40-6:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:20-9:40

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:3:30-6:50-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-6:50-9:20

Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sun 2-5-7:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 5-7:30-10:10

KENNEDY COMMONS 20
33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

9 (PG) Fri-Thu 2:20-7:30

Bright Star (PG) Fri 2:10-4:45-7:25-10 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:10-4:45-7:25-10 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:25-10

Cairo Time (STC) Fri 2:45-4:55-7:10-9:25 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:45-4:55-7:10-9:25 Mon-Thu 2:45-4:55-7:10-9:25

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri 4:20-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10-10

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Fri 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05

Coco Before Chanel (PG) Fri 2-4:30-7:05-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:30-2-4:30-7:05-9:40 Mon-Thu 2-4:30-7:05-9:40

The Damned United (14A) Special Engagement Fri 3:10-5:30-7:50-10:10 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:50-3:10-5:30-7:50-10:10 Mon-Thu 3:10-5:30-7:50-10:10

Good Hair (PG) Special Engagement Fri 3:15-5:35-7:55-10:15 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:50-3:15-5:35-7:55-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:35-7:55-10:15

The Informant! (14A) Fri 2:30-5-7:30-9:55 Sat-Sun 12-2:30-5-7:30-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:30-5-7:30-9:55

Inglourious Basterds (14A) Fri 4:20-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:10-4:20-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:20-9:30

Julie & Julia (PG) Fri 4:15-7:9:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-7:9:45 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:9:45

Love Happens (PG) Fri 2:20-4:50-7:20-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:20-4:50-7:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:20-4:50-7:20-9:50

Main Aurr Mrs. Khanna (PG) Special Engagement Fri 3:45-6:45-9:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:45 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:45-9:45

Stan Helsing (STC) Special Engagement Fri 3:10-5:25-7:40-9:55 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 1:3:10-5:25-7:40-9:55 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 3:10-5:25-7:40-9:55

The Stepfather (14A) Special Engagement Fri 2:15-4:40-7:05-9:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:50-2:15-4:40-7:05-9:30 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:40-7:05-9:30 Special Engagement Fri 3:5:25-7:50-10:15 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:35-3:5:25-7:50-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:5:25-7:50-10:15

Surrogates (PG) Fri 3:15-5:30-7:45-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:55-3:15-5:30-7:45-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:30-7:45-9:50

Wake Up Sid (PG) Fri 3:40-6:40-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:40

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:05-2:50-4:30-5:15-6:55-7:40-9:20-10:05 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:40-12:25-2:05-2:50-4:30-5:15-6:55-7:40-9:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:05-2:50-4:30-5:15-6:55-7:40-9:20-10:05

Whip It (PG) Fri 2:30-5-7:35-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:55-2:30-5-7:35-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:30-5-7:35-10:10

WOODSIDE CINEMAS
1571 Sandhurst Circle, 416-299-3456

All the Best (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat 12-3-9 Sun 12:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30

Blue (PG) Fri 3:45-6:30-9:15 Sat 1-3:30-6:15-9-11:30 Sun 1-3:30-6:15-9 Mon-Thu 4-6:45-9:15

Monpura - A Love Story (STC) Sat 6-12 Sun 10-3:30

PEEL REGION

CINÉ STARZ
377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

Aliens in the Attic (PG) Fri-Sat 12-1:30-3:30 Sun 12 Mon-Thu 4:50

The Final Destination (STC) Fri-Sun 12-5:35-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:05-8:45

G-Force (STC) Fri-Sun 12-1:30-3-4:30-6-7:30-9 Mon-Thu 1-2:30-4-5:30-7-8:30

Gamer (14A) Fri-Sun 6-7:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 1:30-3:10-6:25-8:05

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri-Sun 12-1:30-3-4:30

Inglourious Basterds (14A) Fri-Sat 3-7 Sun 3:35-7 Mon-Thu 3-7:30

Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Sat 1:25-5-7:05 Sun 1:30-6:10-8:15 Mon-Thu 1-4:30-6:35

The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Sun 9:10 Mon-Thu 1-5:35

COLISEUM 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:50 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:15-9:45

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs: An IMAX 3D Experience (STC) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:50

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Tue 12:40-1:10-3:30-4:20-6:20-7:10-9:10-10:10 Wed-Thu 12:40-3:30-6:20-9:10

The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 1-3:40-7:20-10:05 Sat 4:30-7:20-10:05 Sun-Tue 1-3:40-7:20-10:05

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:40-7:30-10:40 Sun-Tue 1:20-4:40-7:30-10:25 Wed-Thu 1:20-4:40-7:20-10:10

The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:25

NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7

Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-3-5:20-7:50-10:30 No Passes Sun-Tue 12:30-3-5:20-7:50-10:15 No Passes Wed 3:40-6:45-9:15 No Passes Thu 1:10-3:40-6:45-9:15 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1

Peraanmai (Tamil) (STC) Fri-Thu 2:30-6:10-9:50

Saw VI (18A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:20-6:50-9:40 Fri-Sat 2-5-8-10:50 Sun-Thu 2-5-8-10:30

Surrogates (PG) Fri 1:40-4:30-7-9:30 Sat 1:40-7-9:30 Sun-Tue 1:40-4:30-7-9:30 Wed 1:40-4:20-9:30 Thu 1:40-4:20-7:10-9:30

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:50-3:50-6:40-9:20 No Passes Wed 3:50-6:40-9:20 No Passes Thu 12:50-3:50-6:40-9:20 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1

Zombieland (14A) Fri 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:20 Sat 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:15 Sun-Tue 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:20 Wed-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:40-10:20

COURTNEY PARK 16
110 Courtney Park Dr., 905-362-1210

Amelia (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:10-2-4:40-7:35-10:25 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2-4:40-7:35-10:25

Astro Boy (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:20-1:50-4:20-6:50-9:20 Special Engagement Mon 1:50-4:20-6:50-9:20 Special Engagement Tue 1:50-4:20-6:50 Special Engagement Wed-Thu 1:50-4:20-6:50-9:20

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:25-2:05-4:55-7:45-10:35 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:05-4:55-7:45-10:35

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri-Sun 11:45-2:30-5:15-8-10:45 Mon 2:30-5:15-8-10:45 Tue 2:30-5:15-8

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 11:05-1:55-3:45-4:35-7:25-9:15-10:15 Mon 1:55-3:45-4:35-7:25-9:15-10:15 Tue 1:55-3:45-4:35-7:25-10:15 Wed-Thu 1:55-4:35-7:25-10:15

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 11:11-50-1:45-2:45-4:30-5:25-7:15-8:05-10-10:50 Special Engagement Sun 11:1:45-2:45-4:30-5:25-7:15-8:05-10-10:50 Mon 1:45-2:45-4:30-5:25-7:15-8:05-10-10:50 Tue 1:45-2:45-4:30-5:25-7:15-8:05-10:50 Wed-Thu 2:45-5:25-8:05-10:50

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Special Engagement Tue 12:01 Special Engagement Wed 11-12-1-1:45-2:30-3:45-4:30-5:15-6:30-7:15-8-9:15-10-10:45 Special Engagement Thu 1-1:45-2:30-3:45-4:30-5:15-6:30-7:15-8-9:15-10-10:45

Paranormal Activity (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:55-2:35-5:7:30-9:55 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:35-5:7:30-9:55 Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:10-10:40

Saw VI (18A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:15-12:05-12:45-1:40-2:40-3:20-4:25-5:05-5:50-7:7:40-8:25-9:35-10:20-11 Special Engagement Tue 1:40-2:40-3:20-4:25-5:05-5:50-7:7:40-8:25-9:35-11 Special Engagement Wed-Thu 1:40-2:40-3:20-4:25-5:05-5:50-7:7:40-8:25-9:35-10:20-11

The Stepfather (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:40-2:25-5:10-7:50-10:30 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:25-5:10-7:50-10:30

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:35-1-2:10-4:45-6:30-7:20-9:50 Mon-Tue 1-2:10-4:45-6:30-7:20-9:50 Wed-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:20-9:50

Zombieland (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:30-5:55-8:30-10:55

ORION GATE GRANDE
20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

Astro Boy (PG) Fri 3:45-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:45-6:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:30-9:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 4:05-6:55-9:35 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4:05-6:55-9:35 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:05-6:55-9:35

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 4:45-7:20-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:40-5:7:20-9:40 Mon-Tue 4:45-7:20-9:40 Wed-Thu 4:45-7-9:20

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 3:55-6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:55-6:45-9:30 Mon-Tue 3:55-6:45-9:30 Wed-Thu 3:55-6:50-9:30

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 4:15-7:10-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-7:10-9:55 Mon-Tue 4:15-7:10-9:55 Wed-Thu 4:15-7:20-9:55

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:40

Saw VI (18A) Fri 4:35-7:35-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:30-5:10-7:35-10:05 Mon-Tue 4:35-7:35-10:05 Wed-Thu 4:35-7:30-10:05

The Stepfather (14A) Fri 4:25-7-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:25-7-9:45 Mon-Tue 4:25-7-9:45 Wed-Thu 4:25-7:10-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Surrogates (PG) Fri 3:35-6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 1-3:35-6:40-9:20 Mon-Tue 3:35-6:40-9:20

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 3:30-6:20-9 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:40-3:25-6:20-9 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-6:20-9

Zombieland (14A) Fri 4:55-7:45-10 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:50-5:20-7:45-10 Mon-Tue 4:55-7:45-10 Wed-Thu 4:55-7:40-10

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All The Best (Hindi w/e.s.t) (PG) Fri 5:15-8:55 Sat-Sun 1:40-5:15-8:55 Mon-Thu 4:50-8:45

Astro Boy (PG) Fri 3:30-6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:25-3:30-6:40-9:30 Mon-Tue 3:30-6:40-9:20 Wed-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:20

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 3:50-6:50-9:55 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:55-3:50-6:50-9:55 No Passes Mon-Tue 3:50-6:50-9:45 No Passes Wed-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:40

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 3:10-6:20-9:05 Sat-Sun 12:10-3:10-6:20-9:05 Mon-Thu 3:10-6:20-9

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4:10-7:10-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:4:10-7:10-10:10 Mon-Tue 4:10-7:10-10 Wed-Thu 4:10-7:10-10:05

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 4:15-7:20-10:15 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:15-7:20-10:15 Mon-Tue 4:15-7:20-10:05 Wed-Thu 4:15-7:20-10:10

Main Aurr Mrs. Khanna (Hindi w/e.s.t) (PG) Fri 3:15-6:15-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:15-3:15-6:15-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:15-6:15-9:05

The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Tue 12:01 No Passes Wed-Thu 4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:30

Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri 5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Mon-Tue 4:40-7:40-10:15 No Passes Wed-Thu 4:40-7:40-10:25 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01

Saw VI (18A) Fri 4:5-6:55-7:35-9:40-10:20 Sat-Sun 12:1:15-2:30-4:5-6:55-7:35-9:40-10:20 Mon-Tue 4:5-6:55-7:35-9:30-10:10 Wed-Thu 3:40-5-6:50-7:35-9:30-10:20

The Stepfather (14A) Fri 4:30-7:15-10 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:30-7:15-10 Mon-Tue 4:30-7:15-9:50 Wed-Thu 4:20-7:15-9:50

Surrogates (PG) Fri 3:45-6:30-9:20 Sat 1:10-6:30-9:20 Sun 1:10-3:45-6:30-9:20 Mon-Tue 3:45-6:30-9:10

Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri 7:30 Sat-Sun 1:50-7:30 Mon-Tue 7:30 Wed-Thu 6:55

Tyler Perry's I Can Do Bad All By Myself (PG) Fri-Sat 3:40-6:35-9:25 Sun 12:45-3:40-6:35-9:25 Mon-Tue 3:40-6:35-9:25

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 3:20-6:10-9 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:40-3:20-6:10-9 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:20-6:10-8:50

Zombieland (14A) Fri 4:20-7-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7-9:45 Mon-Tue 4:20-7-9:40 Wed-Thu 3:45-6:35-9:15

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Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4-7-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 4-7-9:50

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:45-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:45-9:10

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Sun 1-3:50-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:30

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:45-5:7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 5-7:20-9:45

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-1:30-3:30-4:30-6:30-7:10-9:20-10 Mon-Thu 3:30-4:30-6:30-7:10-9:20-10

The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:40-7:50-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:50-10:15

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-1:40-3:40-4:20-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:40-4:20-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:15

The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sun 2-4:50-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:40-10:10

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Amelia (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:45-4:20-7:15-9:45

Astro Boy (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-6:40-9:15

Blue (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:10-10

Cairo Time (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:30

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-7:20-10:05

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7:9:30

In My Life (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:6:45-9:40

Love Happens (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:50

Main Aurr Mrs. Khanna (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:3:55-6:55-9:55

The Stepfather (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:45-10:15

Whip It (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2-4:40-7:40-10:10

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Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Sat 10 Sun-Thu 7:40

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sat 7:50 Sun-Thu 9:45

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 7:30

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Wed-Thu 7:50

Saw VI (18A) Fri-Thu 9:35

The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sat 9:25 Sun-Tue 7:50 Wed-Thu 10

Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sat 7:40 Sun-Tue 10

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Astro Boy (PG) Fri 3:30-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 1-3:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:30-8:50

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:10-9:45 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:40-4:20-7:10-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:15-9:50

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 5:30-7:45-10 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:10-5:30-7:45-10 Mon-Thu 6:40-9

Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:45

The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:10 Sat 6:30-9:10 Sun 1:10-3:40-6:30-9:10 Mon-Tue 6:45-9:10

Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 4:30-7:15-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:30-7:15-10:10 Mon-Thu

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The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 6:40-9:40
Saw VI (18A) Fri 5:20-7:50-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:5-20-7:50-10:15 Mon-Thu 7:40-10
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 4:40-7:30-10:05 Sat-Sun 2-4:40-7:30-10:05 Mon-Thu 7:30-10
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 4-7:20-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4-7:20-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:10-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Zombieland (14A) Fri 3:45-6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:30-3:45-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:30

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All About Steve (PG) Fri 1:40-4:50-7:50-10:15 Sat 7:50-10:15 Sun 1:40-4:50-7:50-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:45-10:10
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-6:30 Mon-Thu 6:30
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4:20-7:10-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:20-7:15-10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:30-9:45 Sat 1-4-6:45-9:15 Sun 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:55-9:20
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs: An IMAX 3D Experience (STC) Fri 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:50 Sat 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:30-9:50 Sun 1:30-4:15-6:30-8:50 Mon-Thu 4:15-6:30-8:50
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-1:25-3:45-4:15-6:45-7:15-9:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 4-4:30-7-7:30-9:45-10:15
District 9 (14A) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:30-7:25-10:05 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:15
Fame (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:05-6:50-9:25 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:10-9:50
The Final Destination 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 2:15-5-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 5:10-8-10:05
The Informant! (14A) Fri-Sun 3:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:05-9:35
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sun 1-1:30-3:40-4:10-7:7:30-9:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 3:40-4:10-6:50-7:20-9:40-10:10
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 5-7:40-10:15 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01
Saw VI (18A) Fri 12:20-1:45-2:40-4:20-5-7:10-7:40-9:55-10:25 Sat 1:45-2:40-4:20-5-7:10-7:40-9:55-10:25 Sun 12:20-1:45-2:40-4:20-5-7:10-7:40-9:55-10:25 Mon-Thu 4:30-5-7:15-7:45-9:40-10:15
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sun 2-4:40-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:25-9:55
Surrogates (PG) Fri 2:10-4:25-6:40-9:10 Sat 12:20-2:10-4:25-6:40-9:10 Sun 2:10-4:25-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:35-9:50
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:45-1:20-3:30-4:6:20-7:05-9-9:35 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-4-6:15-6:45-8:45-9:15

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Astro Boy (PG) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:40-7-9:40 Mon-Tue 6:15-8:50 Wed-Thu 6:15-9
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri 6:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:30-6:20-9:45 Mon-Tue 5:40-8 Wed-Thu 5:40-8:30
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri 6:55-10 Sat-Sun 12:50-4:15-6:55-10 Mon-Tue 6:30-8:40 Wed-Thu 5:45-8:15
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 9:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 1-3:40-9:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:10
Fame (PG) Fri 6:15-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:10-6:15-9:20 Mon-Tue 5:45-8:15
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 6:50-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:50 Mon-Tue 5:50-8:30 Wed-Thu 5:50-8:40
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 6-8:45
Saw VI (18A) Fri 7:10-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:20-7:10-10:05 Mon-Tue 6:20-9 Wed-Thu 6:20-9:10
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 7:15-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:15-9:55 Mon-Tue 6-8:45 Wed-Thu 6:30-8:50
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 6:45-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:15-4-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:10-8:20
Zombieland (14A) Fri 7:30-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7:30-10:10 Mon-Tue 6:40-9:05 Wed-Thu 6:40-9:15

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Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 4:40-7:30-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4:40-7:20-10 No Passes Mon-Tue 7:9:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 7:9:50
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri 4:20-7:9:10 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:20-7:9:10 Mon-Tue 6:40-9 Wed-Thu 6:10-8:50
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4-6:50-9:30 Sat 12:50-4:10-6:50-9:30 Sun 12:50-4-6:50-9:30 Mon-Tue 6:30-9:10 Wed-Thu 6:20-9
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 4:10-6:40-9:20 Sat 6:40-9:20 Sun 1-4:10-6:40-9:20 Mon-Tue 6:20-8:50
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 4:30-7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:30-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:30
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 6:40-9:40
Saw VI (18A) Fri 5:20-7:50-10:20 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:50-5:20-7:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 7:30-10
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 4:50-8-10:30 Sat 1:40-4:50-8-10:30 Sun 1:50-5-8-10:30 Mon-Tue 7:40-10:10 Wed-Thu 7:20-10:10
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 3:50-6:30-9 No Passes Sat 12:40-4-6:30-9 No Passes Sun 12:40-3:50-6:30-9 No Passes Mon-Tue 6:10-8:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 6-8:40
Zombieland (14A) Fri 5:10-7:40-10 Sat 1:50-5-7:30-9:40 Sun 1:40-4:50-7:30-9:40 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:20

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Amelia (PG) Fri 2:15-4:45-7:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:15-4:45-7:30-10:15 Mon-Tue 4:45-7:30-10:15 Wed-Thu 11:30-2:15-4:45-7:30-10:15
Astro Boy (PG) Fri 1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10 Sat-Sun 11:15-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10 Mon 4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10 Tue 4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-10 Wed-Thu 11:15-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:15-5:15-6:45-7:45-9:15-10
Bright Star (PG) Fri 2:10-4:55-7:30-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:10-4:55-7:30-10:05 Mon-Tue 4:55-7:30-10:05 Wed-Thu 11:30-2:10-4:55-7:30-10:05
G-Force (STC) Fri 1:25-4:05-6:20-8:50 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:25-4:05-6:20-8:50 Mon-Tue 4:05-6:20-8:50
G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG) Fri 3:30-6:05-8:50 Sat-Sun 11:45-3:30-6:05-8:50 Mon-Tue 3:30-6:05-8:50 Wed-Thu 11:45-3:30-6:05
Halloween II (18A) Fri 1:40-4:20-6:55-9:35 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:40-4:20-6:55-9:35 Mon-Tue 4:20-6:55-9:35 Wed-Thu 11:05-1:40-4:20-6:55-9:35
The Hangover (14A) Fri 2:30-5:05-7:35-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:30-5:05-7:35-9:55 Mon-Tue 5:05-7:35-9:55 Wed-Thu 12:05-2:30-5:05-7:35-9:55
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri 2:40-6-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:15-2:40-6-9:15 Mon-Tue 6-9:15 Wed-Thu 11:15-2:40-6
Inglourious Basterds (14A) Fri 2:50-6-9:20 Sat 11:25-2:50-6-9:20 Sun 11:25-2:50-6:05-9:20 Mon-Tue 6-9:20 Wed-Thu 11:25-2:50-6:05-9:20
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 1:30-2:30-4:10-5-6:55-7:45-9:25-10:10 Sat-Sun 11-12:05-1:30-2:30-4:10-5-6:55-7:45-9:25-10:10 Mon-Tue 4:10-5-6:55-7:45-9:25-10:10 Wed-Thu 12:05-2:30-5-7:45-10:10
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri 3:45-6:40-9:45 Sat-Sun 1-3:45-6:40-9:45 Mon-Tue 3:45-6:40-9:45 Wed-Thu 1-3:45-6:40-9:45
Love Happens (PG) Fri 1:30-4-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 11-1:30-4-7-9:30 Mon-Tue 4-7-9:30 Wed-Thu 11-1:30-4-7-9:30
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Tue 12:01 Wed 10:30-10:45-11:15-11:45-1-1:30-2-2:30-3:45-4:15-4:30-5-5:15-6:30-7-8-9:15-9:45-10:45-11 Thu 10:30-10:45-11:15-11:45-1-1:30-2-2:30-3:45-4:15-4:45-5-5:15-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:15-9:45-10:15-10:45
Pandorum (14A) Fri 2:35-5:10-7:40-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:35-5:10-7:40-10:05 Mon-Tue 5:10-7:40-10:05 Wed-Thu 11:50-2:35-5:10-7:40-10:05
A Perfect Getaway (14A) Fri 2:40-5:05-7:25-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:40-5:05-7:25-10:05 Mon-Tue 5:05-7:25-10:05 Wed-Thu 12:15-2:40-5:05-7:25-10:05
The Proposal (PG) Fri 1:50-4:25-7:05-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:50-4:25-7:05-9:40 Mon-Tue 4:25-7:05-9:40 Wed-Thu 11:10-1:50-4:25-7:05-9:40
Public Enemies (14A) Fri 3:10-6:10-9:05 Sat-Sun 11:55-3:10-6:10-9:05 Mon-Tue 6:10-9:05 Wed-Thu 11:55-3:10-6:10
Sorority Row (18A) Fri 2:55-5:25-7:50-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:55-5:25-7:50-10:10 Mon-Tue 5:25-7:50-10:10 Wed-Thu 12:20-2:55-5:25-7:50-10:10
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri 2:25-4:55-7:20-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:25-4:55-7:20-9:50 Mon-Tue 4:55-7:20-9:50 Wed-Thu 11:50-2:25-4:55-7:20-9:50
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri 2:20-4:50-7:35-10 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:20-4:50-7:35-10 Mon-Tue 4:50-7:35-10 Wed-Thu 11:40-2:20-4:50-7:35-10
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Digital Fri-Sun 1:45-5:30-9 Digital Mon-Tue 5:30-9 Digital Wed-Thu 10:30-2:15-6-9:30
Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day (14A) Fri 2:05-4:30-7:30-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:25-2:05-4:30-7:30-9:55 Mon-Tue 4:30-7:20-9:55 Wed-Thu 11:25-2:05-4:30-7:20-9:55
The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:25-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:20-2:05-4:40-7:25-9:50 Mon-Tue 4:40-7:25-9:50 Wed-Thu 11:20-2:05-4:40-7:25-9:50
Up (PG) Fri 2:10-4:40-7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:35 Mon-Tue 4:40-7:10-9:35 Wed-Thu 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:35
Whiteout (14A) Fri 1:35-4-6:30-9:05 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:35-4-6:30-9:05 Mon-Tue 4-6:30-9:05
Zombieland (14A) Fri 2-2:45-3:30-4:15-5-5:40-6:45-7:15-8-9:10-9:45-10:15 Sat-Sun 10:45-12:30-1:15-2-2:45-3:30-4:15-5-5:40-6:45-7:15-8-9:10-9:45-10:15-11:45 Mon-Tue 3:30-4:15-5-5:40-6:45-7:15-8-9:10-9:45-10:15 Wed-Thu 10:45-12:30-1:15-2:45-3:30-5-5:40-7:15-8-9:45-10:15

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Amelia (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4-6:40-9:10
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-6:55-9:15
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Tue 1:25-4:10-6:50-9:20
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:9:25
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Wed-Thu 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:20
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:15-9:30
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Fri-Sun 1:3:45-6:45-9 Mon 3:45-6:45-9 Tue-Thu 1-3:45-6:45-9 Mon 1

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Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri 3:35-6:45-9:45 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:40-3:35-6:45-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:35-6:45-9:45
Astro Boy (PG) Fri 4:10-7:05-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:10-7:05-9:55 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:05-9:55
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Sat 3:10-6:25-9:35 Sun 12:20-3:10-6:25-9:35 Mon-Tue 3:10-6:25-9:35
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:20-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:20-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 4-6:55-9:15 Sat-Sun 1-4-6:55-9:15 Mon-Thu 4-6:55-9:15

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The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 3:55-6:30-9:20 Sat 12:20-6:30-9:20 Sun 1:20-3:55-6:30-9:20 Mon-Tue 3:55-6:30-9:20 Wed 3:55-9:20 Thu 3:55-6:30-9:20
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 5-7:40-10:25 Sat-Sun 2-5-7:40-10:25 Mon-Thu 5-7:40-10:25
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:40
NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7
Paranormal Activity (14A) No Passes Fri 5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:30-8-10:30
Saw VI (18A) Fri 5-15-7:50-10:20 Sat 12:2-40-5:30-7:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 5-15-7:50-10:20
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 4:20-7:15-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:20-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:15-9:50
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 3:15-6:50-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:10-3:15-6:50-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:15-6:50-9:30
Zombieland (14A) Fri 3:30-6:35-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:30-6:35-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:35-9:10

SILVERCITY RICHMOND HILL
8771 Yonge St., 905-709-3199

Amelia (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-3:40-7-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:40-7-9:45
Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:40-9:10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Cairo Time (STC) Fri 12:10-3:10-6:10-8:50 Sat 6:10-8:50 Sun 12:10-3:10-6:10-8:50 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:10-8:50
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 2:4:40-7:25-10:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:40-7:25-10:10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 1:3:50-6:20-9 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:20-9
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4-7:10-10:05 Mon-Thu 4-7:10-10
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:20 Sat 6:30-9:20 Sun 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:20 Mon-Tue 3:45-6:30-9:20
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Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:20-6:55-9:25 Mon-Tue 4:20-6:55-9:25 Wed 4:20-9:25 Thu 4:20-6:55-9:25

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GALAXY CINEMAS MILTON
1175 Maple Ave., 905-864-1666

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 7-9:45 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-7-9:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9:45
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 6:45-9:15 Sat-Sun 1-3:45-6:45-9:15 Mon-Thu 6:45-9:15
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:50
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 7:15-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:20-7:15-9:55 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:55
7-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-4:45-7:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 7:45-10:15

SILVERCITY OAKVILLE
3531 Wycroft Road, 905 827-7173

Astro Boy (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-6:30-9:25 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:25
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:30-4:20-6:55-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:55-9:40
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Fri 2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30 Sat 4:40-7:10-9:30 Sun 2:10-4:40-7:10-9:30 Mon-Tue 7:10-9:30 Wed 9:30 Thu 7:10-9:30
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 1-4-6:40-9:35 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:35 Fri 1:3:45-6:30-9:10 Sat 6:30-9:10 Sun 1:3:45-6:30-9:10 Mon-Tue 6:30-9:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:45 Sat 1:20-6:50-9:45 Sun 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:45 Fri-Sun 1:15-4:7-9:40 Mon-Wed 7-9:40 Thu 9:40
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NY Times Talks: A Conversation with John Irving (STC) Wed 7
Saw VI (18A) Fri-Sun 2:20-4:45-7:15-9:55 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:55 Fri-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:30-10:10
Stark Raving Black (STC) Thu 7
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:25-7:10:10 Mon-Tue 7:10:10
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:20-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:20-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Zombieland (14A) Fri-Sun 2-4:50-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 7:30-10

WINSTON CHURCHILL
2081 Winston Park Dr., Oakville, 905-829-2009

Blue (PG) Sub-Titled Fri 1:30-4:30-7:35-10:30 Sub-Titled Sat-Sun 10:35-1:30-4:30-7:35-10:30 Sub-Titled Mon-Tue 1:30-4:30-7:35-10:30 Sub-Titled Wed 1:30-4:25-7:35-10:30 Thu 1:30-4:25-7:35-10:30
Cairo Time (STC) Fri 1:15-3:30-5:40-7:55-10:15 Sat-Sun 10:55-1:15-3:30-5:40-7:55-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:15-3:30-5:40-7:55-10:15
The Damned United (14A) Fri 2:50-5:20-7:50-10:30 Sat-Sun 12:25-2:50-5:20-7:50-10:30 Mon-Tue 2:50-5:20-7:50-10:30
Fame (PG) Fri 1:25-4:15-7:05-9:40 Sat-Sun 10:50-1:25-4:15-7:05-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:25-4:15-7:05-9:40
Inglourious Basterds (14A) Fri 2-5:15-8:30 Sat-Sun 10:40-2-5:15-8:30 Mon-Thu 2-5:15-8:30
Love Happens (PG) Fri 1:55-4:35-7:10-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:55-4:35-7:10-9:55 Mon-Tue 1:55-4:35-7:10-9:55
Main Aurr Mrs. Khanna (PG) Sub-Titled Fri 2:20-5:35-9 Sub-Titled Sat-Sun 11:10-2:20-5:35-9 Sub-Titled Mon-Tue 2:20-5:35-9 Sub-Titled Wed-Thu 11:10-2:20-5:35-9
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) Tue 12 Special Engagement Wed-Thu 10:15-10:45-11:45-12:30-1:1:30-2:30-3:15-3:45-4:15-5:15-6:6:30-7-8-8:45-9:15-9:45-10:45-11:30 Special Engagement Wed-Thu 11:1:45-4:30-7:15-10
Paranormal Activity (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:05-1:45-2:30-3:15-4-5-5:45-6:30-7:30-8:15-9-10-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:30-12:05-1:05-1:45-2:30-3:15-4-5-5:45-6:30-7:30-8:15-9-10-10:45 Mon-Tue 1:05-1:45-2:30-3:15-4-5-5:45-6:30-7:30-8:15-9-10-10:45 Wed-Thu 11:30-12:05-1:05-1:45-2:25-3:15-4-5-5:45-6:30-7:30-8:15-9-10-10:45
Saw VI (18A) Special Engagement Fri 1:10-2-2:45-3:30-4:30-5:15-6-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:30-11:35-12:15-1:10-2-2:45-3:30-4:30-5:15-6-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11 Special Engagement Mon-Tue 1:10-2-2:45-3:30-4:30-5:15-6-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11 Special Engagement Wed-Thu 11:35-12:15-1:10-2-2:45-3:30-4:30-5:20-6-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11
Surrogates (PG) Fri 2:30-4:55-7:30-10 Sat-Sun 10:05-12:20-2:30-4:55-7:30-10 Mon-Tue 2:30-4:55-7:30-10 Wed-Thu 2:30-4:55-7:30-10:05
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:40-10:20 Sat-Sun 11:25-2:05-4:40-7:40-10:20 Mon-Tue 2:05-4:40-7:40-10:20
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Digital Fri 1-4:50-8:40 Digital Sat-Sun 10:1-50-5:40-9:30 Digital Mon-Tue 1-4:50-8:40
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:40-2:25-4:20-5:05-7-7:45-9:40-10:25 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:10-12:1:40-2:25-4:20-5:05-7-7:45-9:40-10:25 Mon-Tue 1:40-2:25-4:20-5:05-7-7:45-9:40-10:25 Wed-Thu 11:10-12:1:40-2:25-4:20-5:05-7:10-7:45-9:40-10:25
Whip It (PG) Fri 2:40-5:10-8-10:35 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:40-5:10-8-10:35 Mon-Tue 2:40-5:10-8-10:35 Wed-Thu 11:45-2:40-5:10-8-10:35
Zombieland (14A) Fri 1-2:15-3:15-4:45-5:45-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45 Sat-Sun 10:45-12:1-2:15-3:15-4:45-5:45-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45 Mon-Tue 1-2:15-3:15-4:45-5:45-7:15-8:15-9:45-10:45 Wed-Thu 12:2:15-4:45-7:20-9:45

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248 Kingston Rd. E, 905-426-7772

Astro Boy (PG) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:55-4:05-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 6:50-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4-6:50-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:50-9:40
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri 6:45-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:15-6:45-9:10 Mon-Thu 6:45-9:10
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 7:15-10:05 Sat-Sun 1-3:50-7:15-10:05 Mon-Thu 7:15-10:05
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Sat 6:30-9 Sun 1:10-3:40-6:30-9 Mon-Tue 6:30-9
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 7:05-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:10-7:05-9:50 Mon-Thu 7:05-9:50
The Metropolitan Opera: Aida (Verdi) (STC) Sat 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 7:10
Saw VI (18A) Fri 7:30-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:30-10:10
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 7:25-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:35-4:15-7:25-9:55 Mon-Thu 7:25-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 6:40-9:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:10-6:40-9:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20
Zombieland (14A) Fri 7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:30-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:45

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Astro Boy (PG) Fri 6:40-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:20-6:40-9:15 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:35
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) No Passes Fri 6:30-9:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:30-9:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:40-8:30
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 6:15-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:10-3-6:15-9:10 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:15
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 6:45-9:35 Sat-Sun 1-4-6:45-9:35 Mon-Thu 6-8:40
Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 5-8
Saw VI (18A) Fri 7:30-10 Sat-Sun 12:2-30-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 6:15-8:45
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thu 5:50-8:20
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) No Passes Fri 7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:20-7:50
Zombieland (14A) Fri 7:25-9:50 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-7:25-9:50 Mon-Tue 5-8

WHITBY 24
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Amelia (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11:35-2:20-5-7:40-10:15
Astro Boy (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 11:45-2:10-4:40-7:10-9:40
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Tue 10:45-1:35-4:30-7:20-10:15 Thu 10:45-1:35-4:30-7:20-10:15
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (STC) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-4:50-7:30-9:45
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (STC) Digital Fri-Thu 11:45-2:10-4:30-7-9:15
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sat 11-12-1:40-2:40-4:20-5:20-7-8-9:40-10:40 Sun-Thu 11-12-1:40-2:40-4:20-5:20-7-8-9:40
Fame (PG) Fri-Tue 2:15-7:20
Funny People (14A) Special Engagement Wed 1-4:10-7:15-10:20
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-2:45-5:25-7:50-10:15
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:30-12:30-2:3-4:40-5:40-7:10-8:10-9:45-10:45 Mon-Thu 11:30-12:30-2:3-4:40-5:40-7:10-8:10-9:45-10:45
Love Happens (PG) Fri-Tue 11:40-4:45-9:45
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Paranormal Activity (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 11:40-12:45-2:15-3:15-4:45-5:45-7-8:15-9:15-10:45-11:30 Special Engagement Sun-Thu 11:40-12:45-2:15-3:15-4:45-5:45-7-8:15-9:15-10:45
Saw VI (18A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 10:45-12-1-2:30-3:30-5-6-7:20-8:30-9:35-11:50 Special Engagement Sun-Tue 10:45-12-1-2:30-3:30-5-6-7:20-8:30-9:35-11 Special Engagement Wed-Thu 10:45-12-1-2:30-3:30-5-6-7:20-8:30-9:35-10:45
The Stepfather (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 11:45-1-2:30-3:30-5-6-7:30-8:30-10-11 Special Engagement Sun 11:45-1-2:30-3:30-5-6-7:30-8:30-10 Mon-Thu 11:45-1-2:30-3:30-5-6-7:30-8:30-10
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Tue 12:20-2:45-4:50-7:30-10
Where the Wild Things Are (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 11:30-12:30-2:3-4:30-5:30-7-8-9:35-10:35 Special Engagement Sun 11:30-12:30-2:3-4:30-5:30-7-8-9:35 Mon-Thu 11:30-12:30-2:3-4:30-5:30-7-8-9:35
Whip It (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:20-5:10-7:45-10:25
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Top pop albums, according to Billboard

1. Crazy Love, Michael Buble; 2. The Twilight Saga: New Moon soundtrack; 3. The Blueprint 3, Jay-Z; 4. Love is the Answer, Barbra Streisand; 5. The Time Of Our Lives, Miley Cyrus. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Music

Creed goes Full Circle

SoundCheck

Alan Cross

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Ten years ago, Creed was one of the biggest bands in North America, selling tens of millions of records and tens of thousands of concert tickets. But by Christmas 2002, everything had gone horribly pear-shaped. Zonked on a combination of prescription drugs and JD, singer Scott Stapp turned in a horrible performance in Chicago that resulted in four fans filing a lawsuit.

Mix in the Holier-than-thou attitude, the perceived hypocrisies (including a leaked sex tape), the car accident, the broken hip, the thoughts of suicide and the very public fights with other bands — including an actual brawl with members of 311 — and you have the very definition of "downward spiral."

Creed's Scott Stapp

Things finally bottomed out for Stapp on Nov. 18, 2006, when his wife told him enough was enough. That date is now tattooed on his forearm as a reminder. Since then, he and the rest of Creed have slowly plotted their rehabilitation, a test that begins in earnest Tuesday with the release of the band's fourth album Full Circle.

Stapp sounds humbled, chastened and in search of a second chance. "In 2002, it was definitely time for us to take a break ... The time was very well spent, most importantly establishing a firm foundation with our families. And for me, my faith."

The new tracks are more muscular than With Arms Wide Open and those other singles that achieved popular acclaim and then critical scorn. And not just scorn — Creed was despised. Stapp now concedes that the band — and he in particular — deserved that.

"We're sorry for the ignorant, youthful chip we had on our shoulders back then ... I hope we get a second change to make a first impression."

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Her name in Lights

Juno-winning singer releases infectious debut The Listening

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

Thanks to Jay-Z's song Death of Autotune, the obnoxious vocal effect is no longer in vogue. That poses a problem, however, for Toronto-singer Lights, who uses it on her new album.

"It's a great vocal effect if used tastefully, so why deny it?" she says. "I just use it in verses to try to convey emotion of being constricted and held very tight."

She admits, though, that artists like Kanye West and T-Pain have digitized their pipes too much. "It might have been a little excessive," she says. "If he can't sing without it, which we can't really tell, then maybe it's better that he used it."

Fortunately, she doesn't go nuts with sound — the musician, whose real name is Valerie Poxleitner, only uses it on the track The Saviour. Like most of the music on her debut full-length The Listening, the song is a soft electro synth pop number — think Kylie Minogue-meets-Nintendo. The songs move between the über radio friendly title track, to the quirky indie tune Drive My Soul.

Either way her sound is different. It also took a while to fine tune. Although she's only 22, Lights has been playing music for years, writing her first song in her early teens. She's played in a metal band, pretended to be Alicia Keys and wrote music best suited for, she says, "sad acoustic coffee houses."

Lights (Valerie Poxleitner) won the Juno Award for best new artist earlier this year. Her full-length debut album is now out.

Then, three years ago, she started listening to Bjork and euro electronica. When she went into the studio to record, she decided to try and play a track without any traditional instruments.

"I found random sounds and fluttery beats," she explains. "I realized there was no limit when you have synths. You can come up with any texture that will convey sound. You create it and make it happen."

There's no doubt her sound is accessible and infectious enough to court the American masses — Old Navy has already featured one of her songs — but it helps that Jian Ghomeshi — a former Canadian musician and current host of CBC's Q — is her manager.

The singer connected with Ghomeshi by chance. When she was 15 she was in a Walmart ad holding a guitar. The makeup artist saw the photo and asked if she played. He then asked her to sing. "He was blown away and he called Jian who was coming to the area a few weeks later," she recalls. They met, she gave him a demo and he's worked with her ever since.

She might not need him for much longer though, with more than 165,000 MySpace friends, she's become an Internet sensation.

Fortunately, she likes connecting with her virtual fans. Though, she admits, communicating with her followers could become more difficult as she gets more popular.

"I always want to put something cool online — a new remix or b-side every couple of weeks," she says. "Maybe a day will come I won't be able to do that, but hopefully not."

Bright Lights

- The Listening is the new album from Lights. She plays the Kool Haus in Toronto on Nov. 26.

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1. Crazy Love, Michael Bublé; 2. Stereo Box Set, The Beatles, right; 3. New Moon Twilight Saga: New Moon; 4. List, Rosanne Cash; 5. We'll Meet Again, Vera Lynn. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Rapid rise of La Roux

U.K. act's debut tops the charts

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

Elly Jackson is sick. Her voice is shot from months of touring — it still remains to be seen how she'll perform tonight in Toronto — so what was supposed to be a lively interview with the outspoken frontwoman for La Roux, has become a quick e-mail exchange.

Still, Jackson's exuberance comes across; her responses are in all caps.

"I'M TRYING TO HUSH MY MOUTH JUST A LITTLE!" she writes, as if she's screaming. Because we're corresponding over the Internet, she doesn't have the chance to say curious things about other musicians (she recently insulted U.K. rap act Tinchy Stryder) or feminism ("There's far more ways to be sexy than to dress in a miniskirt and a tank top … I think you attract a certain kind of man by dressing like that," she once said).

But, if she could speak, she wouldn't hold back. "Wouldn't it be boring if we all said the same thing and had no opinions," she writes. "Too many acts go on media training courses. It's safe being bland."

"Wouldn't it be boring if we all said the same thing and had no opinions. Too many acts go on media training courses. It's safe being bland." La Roux

Her comments have gotten her tons of press, and for a 21-year-old trying to navigate the saturated British music market, the more people talking about you the better.

But however people find out about the singer, and her musical partner Ben Langmaid, it's the music that really speaks for itself. The duo's debut is a wildly infectious synth pop record that recalls '80s bands like Depeche Mode and glam rockers such as David Bowie.

Their self-titled debut reached No. 2 in the U.K. and landed on top 40 charts around the globe. The rise seems rapid — the album came out in England in June and in North America in late July, but for Jackson, the accolades have been a long time coming.

"We've been writing together for five years before the record came out," she explains.

"But yes, in real terms it has been quite quick, but that's kind of how it happens now, especially in the U.K. No one makes it the old fashioned way by touring."

How does she handle the newfound attention? "I don't go out," she says. "I'm never papped because I just stay home when I'm not working. It's the only way to keep your life private."

It's likely the attention will keep coming — these songs are catchy enough to be played in the car and the club — but her debut could easily have fallen flat. Especially if she recorded it the way she originally wanted — as folk songs.

"Some of the songs were written on the acoustic guitar and demoed as such," she reveals. "I was a major Joni Mitchell fan, had my hair down to my waist but I got bored. It's been done to death. And how do you top Joni or Neil Young. You can't."

La Roux's self-titled debut landed in the No. 8 spot on the Canadian album chart this summer.

In Concert

- La Roux performs at the Guvernment in Toronto on Friday night.

In brief

CHARTS The following is HMV Canada's top 10 CDs.
1. Crazy Love, Michael Bublé
2. Various Artists, The Twilight Saga: New Moon Soundtrack
3. Stereos, Stereos
4. One Love, David Guetta
5. Stereo Box Set, The Beatles
6. The Blueprint 3, Jay-Z
7. Kaleidoscope, Tiesto
8. The E.N.D., The Black Eyed Peas
9. Brand New Eyes, Paramore
10. Only By the Night, Kings of Leon. THE CANADIAN PRESS

TOP 10 RINGTONES
1 3 Britney Spears
2 Sexy B—h David Guetta
3 TiK ToK Ke$ha
4 Throw Ya Hands Up Stereos
5 Hotel Room Service Pitbull
6 Fire Burning Sean Kingston
7 Down Jay Sean
8 Best I Ever Had Drake
9 Party In The USA Miley Cyrus
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the hot ticket

by Enza Anderson

Enza brings Metro readers the weekly scoop on Toronto's hottest parties and events.

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MAYOR'S LUNCHEON: Canadian Dance Association executive director Shannon Litzenberger.

LG FASHION WEEK: Fashion designer and musician Richie Rich.

LG FASHION WEEK: Greta Constantine designers Kirk Pickersgill left, and Stephen Wong.

TORONTO'S SOCIAL SCENE was buzzing as artists celebrated their own with the Mayor's Arts Awards Luncheon at the Arcadian Court. The mid-day affair was hosted by the Toronto Arts Council. Then it was off to LG Fashion Week as designers and their followers worked the runway at Holt Renfrew's official launch and at Fashion Design Council of Canada's temporary locale on King Street.

LG FASHION WEEK, LEFT: Microsoft business analyst Alexandra Horwood.

LG FASHION WEEK: Designer David Dixon, left, with brother Glenn Dixon.

MAYOR'S LUNCHEON: Luncheon host Jian Ghomeshi.

LG FASHION WEEK: Citytv television host Dina Pugliese, left, with LOULOU market editor Liv Judd.

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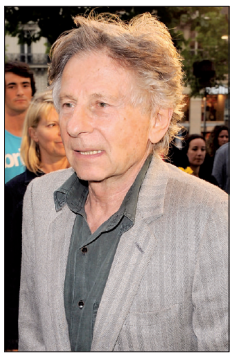
More Vampire Diaries

The CW has picked up nine more episodes of The Vampire Diaries, for a total of 22. Despite Melrose Place's lagging ratings, the network also announced an additional five. TVGUIDE.COM

Entertainment



American prosecutors were closely watching Roman Polanski, says new evidence.

U.S. was monitoring Polanski

Officials decided against filing for arrest warrant, reveal email documents

American prosecutors closely monitored Roman Polanski in Austria and considered seeking his arrest there days before the director's apprehension in Switzerland, documents obtained by The Associated Press show.

Los Angeles officials decided against filing a warrant for Polanski's arrest with the Austrian government after questioning how accommodating it would be to an extradition request. They also were concerned about the limited time available before Polanski left the country, according to emails obtained by the AP under U.S. public records request.

The email exchange Sept. 23 came three days before Polanski travelled to Switzerland and was arrested Sept. 26 at Zurich's airport. It sheds new light on how closely U.S. officials were monitoring the 76-year-old director's movements after being tipped off that he was outside France, and why they chose to go after him in Switzerland, where they are now seeking his extradition for having sex in 1977 with a 13-year-old girl.

"I don't have experience with any Austrian extraditions so I don't know how 'friendly' they would be to extradition on such a case," Diana Carbajal, a Los Angeles deputy district attorney, wrote in an email.

She wrote that Polanski had checked out of an Austrian hotel that morning and was "on the move" ahead of his scheduled appearance at the Zurich Film Festival on Sept. 26.

With the little time available and questions over extradition, she asked whether it was better to "maintain our position to extradite from Switzerland."

Lael Rubin, another deputy district attorney, answered: "Yes."

Polanski had been in Austria as early as Sept. 16, when he attended the opening night of his cult musical Dance of the Vampires in Vienna.

Emails obtained by the AP show U.S. officials only learned of his upcoming trip to Zurich after the Swiss asked if Washington would be submitting a request for his arrest.

Swiss Justice Ministry spokesman Folco Galli said the Americans immediately confirmed they would seek Polanski's arrest. As a result, Switzerland was required by treaty to apprehend Polanski, the director of such film classics as Rosemary's Baby and Chinatown.

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Earlier this week

- On Wednesday, Polanski's lawyers split on strategies, with one suggesting for the first time that Polanski might voluntarily return to the U.S. to face justice in California after 31 years as a fugitive.

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FRIDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
10/23/09 primetime	265	353	2 TVO	Islands of Britain (N)		Agenda With Steve Paikin		Heartbeat "Guilty Secrets"		Allan Gregg	Tagged (N)	Agenda
	211	331	3 GTV	ET Canada	Entertainment	The Guard		Dollhouse (HDTV) (N)		NUMB3RS "Hydra"		News Final
	215	343	4 OMN1	Two Men	Simpsons	Omni News: Italian Edition		Vivere V	Omni News:	Simpsons	King of Hill	Metropia
	210	302	6 CBC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ron James	Rick Mercer	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour (N)
	214	344	7 CITY	Law & Order: SVU		Supernanny (N)		Ugly Betty (HDTV) (N)		The Jay Leno Show		News
	212	313	8 CTV	etalk	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (N)		Medium "Baby Fever"		Flashpoint (N)		CTV News
	218	345	11 CHCH	*Caddyshack* ★★ (1980, Comedy) Chevy Chase.				*New Jack City* ★★★ (1991, Crime Drama), Ice-T				News at 11
	-	387	16 CBS	Inside Edition	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (N)		Medium "Baby Fever"		NUMB3RS "Hydra"		News 4 at 11
	-	385	17 NBC	The Insider	Entertainment	Law & Order "Dignity"		Dateline NBC (N)		The Jay Leno Show		News
	-	386	18 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Supernanny (N)		Ugly Betty (HDTV) (N)		20/20 (HDTV) (N)		News
	219	346	20 ACH-B	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	Law & Order "Dignity"		Law & Order: SVU		Comedy Now		A News
	-	-	28 FOX	Judge Judy	Two Men	Brothers (N)	'Til Death (N)	Dollhouse (HDTV) (N)		Seinfeld	Two Men	Simpsons
	-	388	61 PBS	News-Lehrer	Summer Wine	*Thelma & Louise* ★★★ (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon.					Wash. Week	Business Rpt.
news	500	500	33 CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)		
sports	405	417	22 net	World Sport	MLB Preview	MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at Los Angeles Dodgers. (HDTV) (Live)						
	400	400	30 TSN	CFL Football Hamilton Tiger-Cats at Toronto Argonauts. (HDTV) (Live)						CFL Football: Eskimos at Stampeders		
family	551	542	25 YTV	*The Addams Family* ★★ (1991, Comedy)				Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	That's-Weird	Sorry	Adrenaline
	554	544	45 TEL	Batman	Wolverine	Justice	Star Wars	Futurama	King of Hill	*X-Men* ★★★ (2000, Action)		
	556	540	51 FAM	Sonny	*Don't Look Under the Bed* (1999)			(9:02) *Beetlejuice* (1988, Comedy)		(10:34) *Batman Forever*		
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		CSI: Miami
	575	583	38 CMT	Cross Canada Countdown		Star Crossed	The Show	Cheerleaders	CMT Star	Coyote Ugly	Coyote Ugly	Canyon
	616	521	39 SHO	The Outer Limits		Howie Do It	Howie Do It	Kenny	Kenny	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Found.
	294	529	47 TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	House-Payne	House-Payne	Law & Order: SVU		*Fun With Dick and Jane* (1977)		
	581	566	52 MTV	OverBolts	Peak Season	Peak Season	After	The City	After	The Hills	Peak Season	Peak Season
	603	561	56 FOOD	Ricardo	Eat, Shrink	HEAT	HEAT	Bobby Flay	Chef Abroad	Diners	Diners	Ramsay
	300	601	301 M1	(7:15) *Driven to Kill* (2009, Action) Steven Seagal.				*Underworld: Rise of the Lycans* ★★			(10:45) *30 Days of Night*	

SATURDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
10/24/09 primetime	265	353	2 TVO	Darwin's Lost Voyage		*The China Syndrome* ★★★ (1979, Suspense) (DVS)				Interviews (N)	*The Host* (2006, Horror)	
	211	331	3 GTV	renegade	Jane Show	Project Runway Canada		*How I Married My High School Crush* (2007)				News Final
	215	343	4 OMN1	Na Luzie		Svitohliad	Objektyv	Russian Waves		Last Rite of Passage		Far Home
	210	302	6 CBC	NHL Hockey Toronto Maple Leafs at Vancouver Canucks. (HDTV) (Live)						NHL Hockey: Oilers at Flames		
	214	344	7 CITY	My RONA Home		Glenn Martin	Out There	*Chaos and Desire* ★★★ (2002, Drama)				News
	212	313	8 CTV	W5 ATV safety. (N)		Three Rivers (HDTV)		Criminal Minds		Law & Order: SVU		CTV News
	218	345	11 CHCH	*Kart Racer* ★★ (2003, Drama) Randy Quaid.				*The Last Warrior* ★★ (2000, Action) Dolph Lundgren.				News at 11
	-	387	16 CBS	Paid Program	Paid Program	Three Rivers (HDTV)		48 Hours Mystery		48 Hours Mystery (N)		News 4 at 11
	-	385	17 NBC	News	The Insider	Mercy (HDTV)		Trauma "Stuck"		Law & Order: SVU		News
	-	386	18 ABC	Paid Program	Paid Program	College Football Regional Coverage. (HDTV) Oregon State at USC or Texas at Missouri. (Live)						
	219	346	20 ACH-B	The Road to Avonlea		*White Noise* ★ (2005, Suspense) (DVS)				Whistler (DVS)		A News
	-	-	28 FOX	Paid Program	Paid Program	Cops	Cops	America's Most Wanted		Simpsons	Simpsons	Talkshow
	-	388	61 PBS	All Creatures Great & Small		Lark Rise to Candleford		Sherlock Holmes		Poirot		Masterpiece
news	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		CNN Presents "Latino in America"				Newsroom		Presents
sports	405	417	22 net	MLB Baseball	Sportsnet	MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at Los Angeles Dodgers. (HDTV) (Live)						
	400	400	30 TSN	CFL Football: Lions at Roughriders			SportsCentre	2009 World Series of Poker		SportsCentre (HDTV) (Live)		
family	551	542	25 YTV	Charlie B.	Garfield	Funniest Home Videos		Smallville "Identity"		Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	554	544	45 TEL	*Beetlejuice* ★★★ (1988, Comedy) Michael Keaton.				Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	Moral Orel (N)
	556	540	51 FAM	*Tinker Bell* ★★ (2008, Fantasy), Lucy Liu			Han. Montana	*The Witches* ★★★ (1990, Fantasy)		(10:31) *Superman II*		
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	575	583	38 CMT	Dedicated		Gilmore Girls		Gilmore Girls		*Dances With Wolves* (1990, Western)		
	616	521	39 SHO	The Guard "Wake"		*Lethal Obsession* (2007, Suspense) Kellie Martin.				*Disturbia* ★★ (2007, Suspense)		
	294	529	47 TBS	House-Payne	House-Payne	*Fun With Dick & Jane* ★★ (2005, Comedy)				*Win a Date With Tad Hamilton!* (2004)		
	581	566	52 MTV	OverBolts	OverBolts	OverBolts	Peak Season	Peak Season	After	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs
	603	561	56 FOOD	Glutton	Chef Abroad	Challenge		Chopped		Top Chef: Las Vegas		Hell's Kitchen
	300	601	301 M1	*Caspian*	*Jonas Brothers: 3D Concert Experience*			*Twilight* ★★ (2008, Romance) Kristen Stewart.				*Let the Right*

SUNDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
10/25/09 primetime	265	353	2 TVO	Expedition: Guyana		he Choir "Unsung Town"		*Poppy Shakespeare* (2008, Drama)			The View From Here	
	211	331	3 GTV	Prod. Parker	King of Hill	Simpsons	Simpsons	Family Guy	Amer Dad	Brothers & Sisters (N)		News
	215	343	4 OMN1	OverBolts	Danforth Int.	Nia Vardolos		Hermitage (N)		Metropia	Metropia	Vamos
	210	302	6 CBC	Heartland (N) (DVS)		Battle of the Blades		The Nature of Things		CBC News: The National (N)		fifth estate
	214	344	7 CITY	CityNews	Glenn Martin	Extreme Makeover: Home		My RONA Home		Conviction Kitchen		News
	212	313	8 CTV	Desperate Housewives (N)		The Amazing Race 15		So You Think You Can Dance Canada (N)				CTV News
	218	345	11 CHCH	*Throw Momma From the Train* ★★★ (1987, Comedy)				*Psycho* ★★ (1998, Suspense) Vince Vaughn.				News at 11
	-	387	16 CBS	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 15		Three Rivers (N)		Cold Case "Soul" (N)		News 4 at 11
	-	385	17 NBC	Football Night in America		(8:15) NFL Football Arizona Cardinals at New York Giants. (HDTV) (Live)						
	-	386	18 ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives (N)		Brothers & Sisters (N)		News
	219	346	20 ACH-B	America's Next Top Model		*Alien vs. Predator* ★★ (2004, Science Fiction)				Spectacle: Elvis		A News
	-	-	28 FOX	NFL Football	The OT	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim at New York Yankees.						Cold Case
	-	388	61 PBS	The Lawrence Welk Show		Nature (N) (DVS)		Masterpiece Contemporary "Endgame" (N) (DVS)				Independent
news	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		CNN Presents				Newsroom		Presents
sports	405	417	22 net	NFL Football	Sportsnet	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim at New York Yankees. (HDTV) (Live)						
	400	400	30 TSN	Football Night in America		(8:15) NFL Football Arizona Cardinals at New York Giants. (HDTV) (Live)						
family	551	542	25 YTV	(6) *The Wizard of Oz* (1939)			H2O Just	In Real Life		Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	554	544	45 TEL	Bugs Bunny	6teen: Dude of the		Majority	Futurama	King of Hill	Bromwell	Life's a Zoo	John
	556	540	51 FAM	Suite Life	Zoey 101	Zack & Cody	Han. Montana	*Gremlins* ★★★ (1984, Fantasy) Zach Galligan.				*My Favorite*
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		CSI: Miami
	575	583	38 CMT	Star Crossed	CMT Star	Funniest Home Videos		Wilsons	Wilsons	Cheer Moms	Cheer Moms	Tuckerville
	616	521	39 SHO	ReGenesis "Blackout"		*Second Sight* (2007, Drama) Lexa Doig, Ty Olsson.				Weeds	Found.	Kenny
	294	529	47 TBS	*Fun With Dick & Jane* ★★ (2005, Comedy)				*Fun With Dick & Jane* ★★ (2005, Comedy)				*American 2*
	581	566	52 MTV	Peak Season	After	Cribs	Cribs	Nitro Circus	OverBolts	OverBolts	Fantasy Fact.	1 girl 5 gays
	603	561	56 FOOD	Challenge		Get on Plate	Food	Iron Chef America		Dinner: Impossible		Restaurant
	300	601	301 M1	(7:15) *Kit Kittredge: An American Girl* (2008)				Dexter		Dexter "Dirty Harry"		Dexter

McCartney launches tour

MUSIC Paul McCartney will return to Hamburg, where The Beatles honed their craft, to launch his first European tour in five years. McCartney announced Thursday he will play the German city on Dec. 2 to kick off the Good Evening Europe tour. The former Beatle also plans shows in Berlin, the Dutch city of Arnhem, Paris, Cologne and Dublin. The seven-date tour ends at London's O2 Arena on Dec. 22.

McCartney

The tour follows a string of North American dates earlier this year.

The 67-year-old McCartney plans to release a live album from the U.S. tour, Good Evening New York City. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Entertainment in brief

PEOPLE One of the world's most respected authors, Canadian Alice Munro, has revealed she's had a recent fight with cancer. Munro briefly alluded to her health Wednesday night at a sold-out literary event in Toronto in an on-stage conversation with fellow author Diana Athill. Earlier this year, Munro, 78, was named the third recipient of the prestigious Man Booker International Prize.

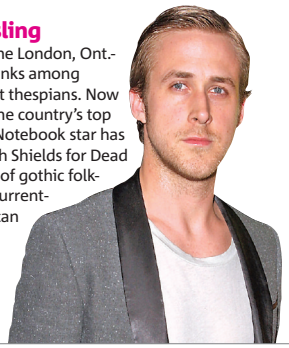
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Smallville actor arrested
Smallville actor Sam Jones III was arrested Wednesday on federal drug charges according to TV Guide. He was charged with conspiring and planning to deal about 10,000 tablets of oxycodone. TVGUIDE.COM

Going Out

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Ryan Gosling



CELEBRITY The London, Ont.-born actor ranks among Canada's best thespians. Now he wants to be one of the country's top musicians as well. The Notebook star has hooked up with pal Zach Shields for Dead Man's Bones, an album of gothic folk-rock tunes. The duo is currently playing North American dates.

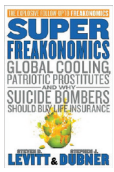
2 Astro Boy

FILM Yes, the father of all anime is a little crime-fighting kid robot. And, starting today, he'll be at a theatre near you. Based on Osamu Tezuka's original 1952 series, the Hollywood 3-D version features Freddie Highmore (of Charlie and The Chocolate Factory fame) as the voice of the titular character.

3 There Is No Enemy: Built to Spill

MUSIC This Boise, Idaho-based band hit their stride in the '90s but their latest album ranks with their best efforts. Ringleader Doug Martsch's template — gorgeous guitar work over equally beautiful melodies — may be tried and tested, but the end result is some of the most heart-wrenching sounds you'll hear this year. Album highlights: Good 'Ol Boredom and Hindsight.

4 SuperFreakonomics



BOOK Some neat questions: What does a hooker and a department store Santa Claus have in common? Can eating kangaroo meat save the planet? Economist Steven Levitt and journalist Stephen Dubner have the answers in the "freaquel" to their bestseller Freakonomics.

5 App of the Day

TECH Let's face it — there's plenty of junk in the App Store. That's where this neat little software comes in. App of the Day highlights a different application every day for iPhone or iPod Touch users to discover high quality products in the App Store. Best of all, it's not just some tech geek's word above all. The featured applications are chosen through a careful nomination process driven by users.

6 A Day At The Office

VIDEO Tough economic times equals less spare time at work? Wrong. If the employees on this viral video are to be believed, no deadline is bigger than lip-synching to the Backstreet Boys' I Want It That Way and recording the results on your office desktop. Where's a supervisor when you need one? Watch the video at youtube.com/watch?v=XWhUeAy35qc.

7 Dead Snow

DVD It's been a good year for camp horror. Sam Raimi vowed with Drag Me To Hell. And now comes this Norwegian gore fest with creatures everyone will love to hate — Nazi zombies. The plot's no killer — some medical students go to a cabin ... you know how it goes.

Mix of Six

Hipnotech

When: Fri. Oct. 23, 8:30 p.m.
Where: Labspace Studio, 2a Pape St.

Business as Usual proudly presents our inaugural bash Hipnotech. Featuring heavy-hitting DJs JD Mack (a.k.a. Nick McAlister) and G Cue (a.k.a. Gerard Valdez) and a dance performance by Rosanna McGuire. See cleoflaptra.com/performance.html.

Broken Lizard Live

When: Friday, 10:30 p.m.
Where: Second City, 51 Mercer St.

Broken Lizard, the sketch comedy group behind cult movie classics such as Super Troopers and Beerfest, are performing live and will preview their upcoming movie, The Slammin' Salmon. Tickets $32.50 at ticketmaster.ca

The Raveonettes

Friday, 8 p.m., Phoenix, 410 Sherbourne St.

Danish duo The Raveonettes throw a retro-inspired tantrum on their latest album, In and Out of Control, making dire topics danceable. Tix: $18.50.

Metallica

Oct. 26-27, Air Canada Centre, 40 Bay St.

After more than a year on the road, the Masters of Puppets finally bring their World Magnetic Tour to T.O. with Lamb of God. $56-$86. 7 p.m.

Leona Drive Project

Oct. 22-31 17 Leona Dr. in Willowdale

Check out installation art in a street-sized gallery. The houses on the street sit in limbo currently, awaiting demolition.

Night of Dread

Oct. 24, Dufferin Grove Park

Drawing from festivals of death and remembrance around the world, the annual hour-long procession hosted by Clay & Paper Theatre invites community members to banish and mock their fears. clayandpapertheatre.org.

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Diverse models on runway
In the first two days of LG Fashion Week, both Sunny Fong and David Dixon previewed collections that broke the expected runway mould with models of non-traditional age, size and colour. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICES

A study in contrasts

Colour pops, hemlines rise and affordable chic reigns on day three of LG Fashion Week

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Katrina Tuttle
From strapless short dresses, asymmetrical, one-shouldered minis and sheaths, the 21-year-old amped up her designs with soft ruffle accents and pleating adorning straps, accentuating necklines and cascading from collars.

Joe Fresh Style
Whites and tans were the dominant colour story in Joseph Mimran's spring/summer 2010 collection, effectively contrasting the soft hues with delicate fabrics. The look for men was classic and neutral, with polos, chinos and slim cut pants accessorized with leather brogues.

Reva Mivasagar
A series of fluid, luxe creations each presented as colourfully individual stories, swathed in a succession of bold hues and brassy prints with rich patterns in the structured, architectural creations.

KATRINA TUTTLE | JOE FRESH STYLE | REVA MIVASAGAR
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Style **off the runway** by Enza Anderson

To end off Enza Anderson's best picks of "off the runway" fashionistas during Toronto Fashion Week are Christy Battell and Frank Lee. Battell, a model, is wearing Betsy Johnson and describes her fashion style as "bohemian rock." Her fashion advice to others is: "Dress to your body type." Meanwhile, Lee, who works for LG Electronics, is decked out in Shidio in what he calls an "urban cowboy" look. His fashion mantra is: "Express your own style."

LG Fashion Week

Runway shows and events:

Friday
- 1 p.m. Roberto Cavalli Luxury Life Brands
- 2 p.m. Frame
- 3 p.m. Brandon R. Dwyer
- 4 p.m. Jessica Biffi
- 5 p.m. Ula Zukowska
- 6 p.m. Gotstyle Menswear Made in Canada
- 7 p.m. Lucien Matis
- 8 p.m. Pat McDonagh
- 9 p.m. Dare to Wear Love, Produced by Hoax Couture
- 10 p.m. Dare to Wear Love After Party

Saturday
- 9 p.m. LG Fashion Week Beauty by L'Oréal Paris Closing Night Party at Muzik

Visit lgfashionweek.ca for more information.

TORONTO FashionWeek

Afiya Francisco

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Knight is single

Former Grey's Anatomy star T.R. Knight is back on the market. The actor has split from his boyfriend of two years, Mark Cornelson. "It's amicable," a source tells People magazine. PEOPLE.COM

Fashion meets function

Amelia Earhart biopic highlights timeless aviation styles

Before they became staples of the runway, bomber jackets, flight suits and protective aviator sunglasses were born in the cockpit of an early — and cold — airplane.

They were necessary in drafty flying machines with metal doors that were a struggle just to keep closed. But as aviation pioneers such as Amelia Earhart brought their style around the world, they sparked fashion trends that have been with us ever since.

The leather bomber jacket shown in the new Earhart biopic Amelia starring Hilary Swank marries function and style in a way that finicky fashion has embraced through the years, says Franco DiCarlo, executive vice-president of Belstaff USA, the brand that collaborated with the filmmakers on key wardrobe pieces.

"A lot of the aviator jackets are timeless in style and they perform under a great variety of weather. ... They say fashion is cyclical, but this is timeless," he says.

But when the styles landed in the 1920s and '30s, it was uncharted territory, allowing for a woman like Earhart to help craft the image and vocabulary of a flyer's style, says Amelia costume designer Kasia Walicka Maimone.

"The whole history of aviation was really being invented and part of that was inventing the new language," she says.

"A lot of the aviator jackets are timeless in style and they perform under a great variety of weather."
Franco DiCarlo, Belstaff USA

At first pilots borrowed silhouettes from horseback riders, race-car drivers and motorcyclists, later adapting jodhpurs, goggles and the zip-front leather jackets, among other items.

Early on, Earhart wore these things, too, but she had a lifelong interest in fashion, so many of the more stylish, more feminine adaptations came from her.

At one point, she had her own clothing line — a second career to support her flying.

"She wore clothes with a natural ease and elegance," says Maimone. "I did love her evening gowns as much as I loved the flightwear. I loved the combination of the super practical flight clothing and the elegance of the eveningwear. I loved that it was one closet for the same person."

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Hilary Swank plays Amelia Earhart in the new biopic Amelia. Besides being an aviation pioneer, Earhart was known for her fashion styles, which influenced classic trends that still exist today.

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Fashion focuses in on fundraising benefit

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Ask Jim Searle and Chris Tyrell, of Hoax Couture, "truth or dare?" and they'll choose dare. Together with the Fashion Design Council of Canada, they've created Dare to Wear Love, a charity fashion show, slated as the grand finale of LG Fashion Week tonight. They hope to raise $100,000 for the Stephen Lewis Foundation, which supports people living with HIV and AIDS in Africa.

Searle and Tyrell were inspired by the foundation's new initiative A Dare to Remember, which challenges Canadians to find new and creative ways to raise awareness of the AIDS pandemic.

"We came up with the idea of a group fashion event where designers could be asked to create a gown out of African fabric and we'd create a runway show around these gowns," says Searle. "We then dared the other designers to come on board with us and create this event … many are pulling out all the stops to create spectacular outfits."

The event will showcase garments made by a broad spectrum of Canadian designers, from a spectacular evening gown by Ines Di Santo to the flirty 'Bedazzled' tuxedo jacket and bow panties designed by Joyce Gunhouse and Judy Cornish of Comrags.

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Joyce Gunhouse, left, and Judy Cornish are the women behind the Comrags brand. Inset: The Bedazzled tuxedo jacket and bow panties.

More info

- To find out more go to aretowearlove.com and stephenlewisfoundation.com

"We were able to choose fabrics from a huge selection of African prints," says Gunhouse. "It's true to Comrags' style — classic with a twist. I don't think anyone will want to wear this outfit to a cocktail party but it will be fun on the runway!"

Hoax Couture approached Comrags a few weeks ago and asked if they would make an outfit for the show, which would then go up for auction at a later date.

"Their enthusiasm and the reputation of the Stephen Lewis Foundation made it impossible to say no," says Cornish. "In fact, we've also said yes to helping them with the production of the show."

Searle and Tyrell have found the response from the Canadian fashion and arts community to be unanimously positive.

It was amazing. Everyone we approached immediately said yes, even those in the middle of very busy schedules," says Tyrell. "They understood the need. They also realized that the event we're planning could really make a difference."

All the money raised from the auction and the individual donations gathered at the event will go directly to the Stephen Lewis Foundation and their community-based initiatives in over 15 African countries.

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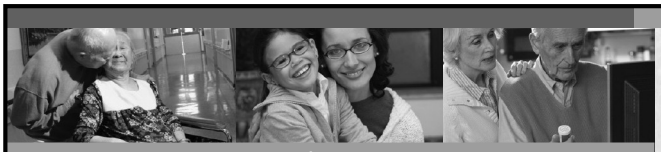

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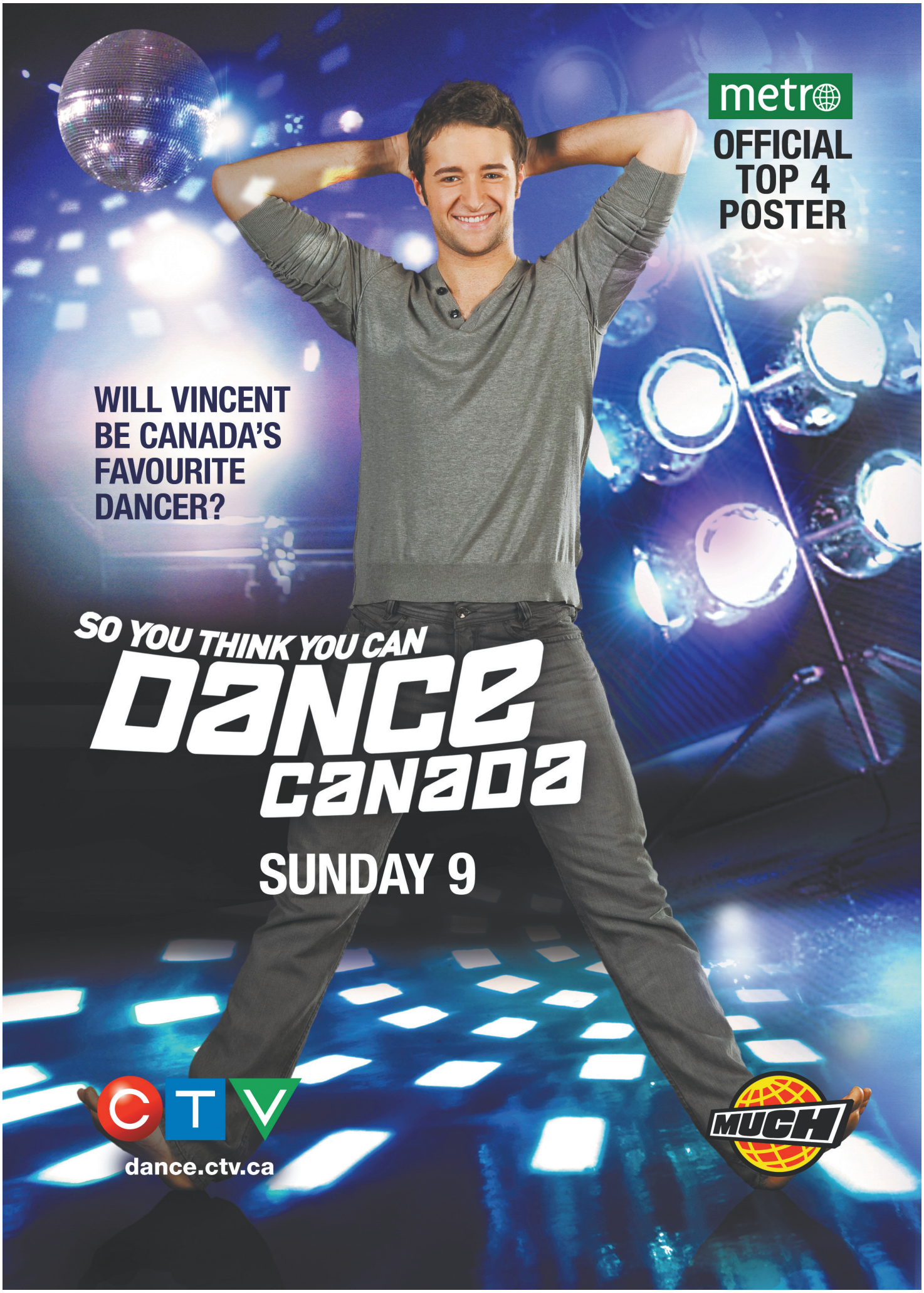
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Grief on The Sea

Corinne Bailey Rae is set to sail on a new journey in her career with the release of her new album The Sea on Feb. 2, it was announced Thursday. Some of her new songs were inspired by the grief of the passing of her husband in 2008. METRO NEWS SERVICES

An all-out psychological warfare

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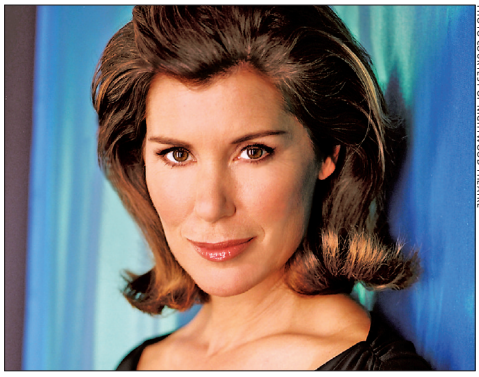

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Actress Sonja Smits stars in That Face, a hilarious nightmare.

Celebrating its 30th anniversary with one of the most lauded new plays to come out of Britain, Nightwood Theatre presents That Face, a hilarious domestic nightmare written by 19 year old Polly Stenham. This will be the anchor production in Nightwood's 4x4 Festival: An Off-Road Event of Women Directors.

This Canadian debut explores the unvarnished pain and comedy that's so common in dysfunctional relationships.

"It's about an upper middle class English family that's been basically blown apart," explains director Kelly Thornton. "The mother suffers from alcoholism and depression, the father has abandoned them, the daughter's kicked out of school and the son wants to save everyone.

"It's very dark but funny, and extremely real," Thornton says. "My actors are brilliant. Sonja Smits plays the mother and she's just incredible, wicked and witty and heart wrenching."

However much the laughs may soften the blows, theatre goers should be prepared for how penetrating and harsh this play is.

Described as "Explosive and Gobsmacking" by the London Observer critic Susannah Clapp, the British often prefer drama that's all-out psychological warfare, with characters supersensitive to each other's facial expressions, asking each other why they're looking at them "Like that."

"That Face refers to Henry's face, the son," says Thornton. "Henry wants to get his mother Martha into rehab, but she says she cannot live without her baby's face. They do not have a healthy relationship. It's classically codependent."

As every family member tries to help the mother recover, she instead craftily nurtures the private addictions of her children, charming them with the perverse power that Martha holds over her kids. Their upbringings have been a tissue of parental failure, but they are outclassed by her manipulative skills.

"Martha is wily like most addicts are," says Thornton, "and Stenham's portrayal of families is completely unapologetic."

That Face runs Oct 26 to Nov 21 at Berkeley Street Theatre Downstairs.

The 4X4 Festival

- The 4x4 Festival features three additional productions. For precise times and locations, visit nightwoodtheatre.net
- Yellowman is an award-winning play about love and racial prejudice among black people. This production is co-produced with Obsidian Theatre, written by Dael Orlandersmith and directed Weyni Mengesha, running Nov. 2 to Nov. 14.
- No Exit is Jean-Paul Sartre classic existential foray into life's meaning and how "Hell is other people." This production is conceived and directed by Kim Collier, running Nov. 11 to Nov. 21.
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5 Budget surf destinations

Following the waves doesn't require splashing out

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Adventure holidays often can come at a price — a trip to the moon with Virgin Galactic for $100 million, anyone? — but surfing doesn't have to be expensive. Here's our pick of the best and cheapest places to hit the waves.

Pacific Paradise
Playa Hermosa, Costa Rica

Visit Costa Rica in March and you'll witness the blooming of 1,500 different types of orchids in one of Latin America's hippest surfing destinations.

A laid-back attitude and a surfboard is all you'll need to feel at home on the pearl-hued sands of Hermosa Beach in the province of Puntarenas.

The year-round sun and warm temperatures will mean you won't be confined to wearing a wetsuit and you'll come back with a golden glow.

But while the vibe is chilled out, the waves at Playa Hermosa are not. In fact, the conditions are expert enough that the beach recently hosted a stop on the Billabong ISA World Surfing Games, a week-long smackdown that's one of the world's top pro events.

Crash at: Fuegos Del Sol Resort and Hotel, Playa Hermosa. You'll wake up to the sound of the waves and surf lessons are part of the hotel's services — did we mention this was paradise? From about $100 per person, per night.

Online: visitcostarica.com, fuegodelsolhotel.com, billabongpro.com

Souk and Surf:
Essaouira, Morocco

The powerful and challenging waves coming in from the Atlantic Ocean are what make the Moroccan coastline a favourite with wave crashers.

The windy beach of Essaouira is where you'll find Ocean Vagabond, a surf spot with a beachfront café where you can also rent surfing equipment, oceanvagabond.com.

For thrilling surfing, head to the internationally-renowned point break of Sidi Bouzid in the region of Safi, where the waves are ranked among the top 10 surf destinations in the world.

Had enough of the wind and the waves? Take a stroll in Essaouira's fishing port or a day trip to the trinket-filled markets of Marrakech.

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Surfers at Playa Hermosa, near the town of Jacó in Costa Rica's Puntarenas province. The beach was recently the site of the Billabong World Surfing Games.

Playa Palo Seco is another popular surfing destination near Jacó, Costa Rica.

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Big waves on a small budget

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Laying low in Lagos: Algarve, Portugal

Lagos is a beach town situated at the mouth of the Bensafrim River in Portugal's Algarve region. Like many surfing paradises, it welcomes waves from the feisty Atlantic Ocean, although these are less aggressive than in nearby Morocco.

This makes Lagos the perfect destination for beginners still struggling to keep their balance on the board. Lagos' high point is the wave consistency —powerful waves hit the shores all year round.

Back on dry land, explore the cobblestone paths of the sleepy village of Silves and bring local handicrafts and fresh produce back to the shore. Silves Castle, instantly recognizable with its fiery red sandstone walls, is believed to date back to Moorish occupation.
Crash at: Villa Esmeralda, Lagos. This villa in Lagos overlooks the sea, perfect for surfers who just want to roll out of their beds and hit the waves. From about $85 per person per night.
Online: villa-esmeralda-algarve.com.

Croissants by the sea: Biarritz, France

The surfing jet-set rubs shoulders with a more laid back crowd of wave-chasers on Biarritz' glitzy coastline. The highlight of the surfing year here is the autumn, which is filled with pro surfing competitions and their afterparties.

Held on Hossegor beach and attended by surfers from all shores, the yearly Quiksilver Pro turns Biarritz surfers into sea gods for the week.

> **"If you have a crush on one of the surfers, you'll probably find them hanging out the Rock Food café. The surf themed menu means you can tuck into a Kelly (Slater) steak or crunch on a Pipeline salad."**

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Crash at: h2o Surfers Chalet, Capbreton. A cozy and fun home-away-from-home in the centre of Capbreton town, owned and managed by a laid back British surfing couple, the atmosphere is as breezy as the wind. From about $78, or $100 per person per night. Fully-catered, including delicious homemade meals and wine.
Online: h2oholidays.com.

Fish 'n' chips 'n' waves: Cornwall, England

Cornwall's raw beauty comes from its impressive array of coves, white shores and craggy cliffs and its seaside community is made up of surfers, artists and fishermen.

The quaint British vibe is a contrast to Mediterranean surf spots — think wet suit versus board shorts, pint of beer versus iced Corona, fish and chips versus greasy burger.

Head to Newquay with its challenging waves and hip music festivals and beach parties.

Not keen to drink and dive? Keep a low profile in the town of Rock, the Knightsbridge of the Sea — referencing an upper-crust area of London — which is also Prince Harry's favourite surfing destination.

Take a ferry ride across the Camel Estuary over to the Padstow.

After your day spent at sea, there is nothing better than some local crab or some grilled Mount's Bay sardines at the one of the eateries owned by celebrity chef Rick Stein, rickstein.com..
Crash at: The Pedn-Olva hotel in St. Ives, Cornwall, has spectacular views over the bay. From about $120 person per night.
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Breaks along the coast at Biarritz, France.

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First pick a winner
Melissa Rycroft can cross one thing off her wedding "to do" list: She's picked out her wedding dress. She said it was "the very first dress I saw, the very first dress I tried on, and I love it," usmagazine.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Dad didn't buy boobs

AMY PAYS FOR HER OWN BODY PARTS Mitch Winehouse says daughter Amy Winehouse is doing well — or at least parts of her are.

When asked by ITV's This Morning how his famously troubled daughter is holding up, Mitch said, "Fantastic, fantastic. Her boobs are great as well."

Winehouse reportedly spent $56,000 US on a breast augmentation surgery though her dad doesn't know where she got the money.

"I didn't have to pay for it, that's all I know," he said. "Whenever I see her, she says, 'Dad can you give me a couple of hundred.' (But) I didn't have to pay for the boobs."

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Mistrial plot thickens

COURTS The Bahamas lawmaker who caused a mistrial in the John Travolta extortion case has been ordered to appear before the judge to explain why he announced an acquittal before the jury had declared a verdict, officials said yesterday.

Picewell Forbes was summoned to explain his remarks in a televised speech to a political party that prompted the judge to dismiss jurors after a month of testimony, two court officials told The Associated Press. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the issue. Judge Anita Allen said she had no choice but to order a new trial because Forbes' remarks Wednesday night gave the appearance that information had been leaked from the jury room.

Travolta flew to the Bahamas to take the stand twice against former Bahamian Sen. Pleasant Bridgewater and a paramedic accused of trying to extort $25 million from him following his autistic son's death at the family home in Grand Bahama last January. Bridgewater resigned her Senate seat after she was charged.

Forbes, who the officials said was scheduled to appear before the judge today, did not respond to requests for comment.

Anthony McKinney, an attorney for the lawmaker, told a local radio his client was merely repeating a rumour.

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Celebrity tweets

Lance Armstrong has a tough time with his anti-doping blood test, something something, Nicole Richie leads a pretty exciting life, and Kirstie Alley has a plan to make herself more interesting.

• @lancearmstrong
Glad to see USADA brought the rank amateurs to do the blood draw. Arms look like a junkie now and they didn't get their sample. Lame.

• @nicolerichie
Going to spend my evening watching Melrose Place. Who's with me?

• @kirstiealley
I am boring myself to death. It must be hell for all of you. I'm going to go slug myself in the liver until I'm more interesting..later..

Boyfriend dishes on dating Carrie

SUITE TALK What's it like dating an American Idol? Ottawa Senators hockey star Mike Fisher says he and girlfriend Carrie Underwood "always find a way to make it work" despite their hectic schedules in a video interview with NHL Online, usmagazine.com reports.

"It's been good!" Fisher, 29, says. The hockey player and the country star, 26, "met at a concert in Toronto about a year ago, in October," through a "friend of a friend," he explains.

His favourite song from Underwood's catalog? A track from her new album Play On (out Nov. 3) called Temporary Home. "I like it when she sings a good rock song."

Fisher has high praise for his girlfriend's work ethic. "She doesn't get too many days off — a lot less days off than I get," he notes.

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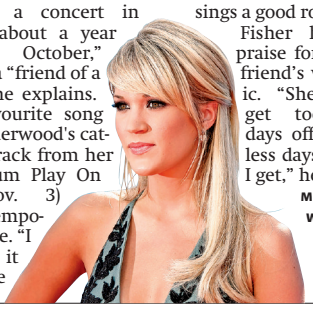

Lindsay's belated bottles

NEVER TOO LATE TO CELEBRATE Lindsay Lohan got quite a surprise while partying it up at New York club 10ak when a team of waiters approached her table hoisting champagne and sparklers and the DJ announced it was "23 bottles of Cristal for Lindsay Lohan's 23rd birthday," according to Page Six.

Not that Lohan doesn't love a good party, but the celebration was misguided. "I don't know why they are doing this," she said. "My birthday is July 2nd."

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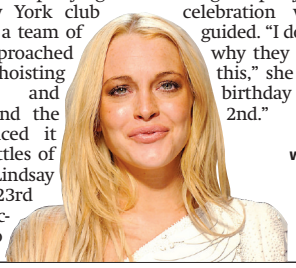

Photog lawsuit settles with Brit

NO DETAILS Another court battle is done for Britney Spears, who settled a lawsuit with a photographer who claimed she ran over his foot in 2007. A notice of settlement was filed in L.A. earlier this week, according to People magazine, though the terms of the agreement were not released. The complaining photographer, Ricardo Mendoza, had originally sought more than $200,000 from Spears.

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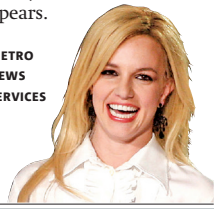

Will cleared up

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Brown admits he regrets 'every moment'

A LOT TO LEARN Chris Brown is still learning from his mistakes, femalefirst.co.uk reports

The singer gave a candid interview on US radio, where he spoke about his regret at assaulting former girlfriend Rihanna in February, and told how he is trying his best to make amends.

He said: "I'm human. If people feel a certain way, I'm not going to say they're wrong. But it's not right to judge somebody when people make mistakes all the time.

"I've learned from my mistakes and I'm learning from them. And I regret every moment, every second of it."

Brown, 20, also admitted he is still not over Rihanna, and still has strong feelings for her.

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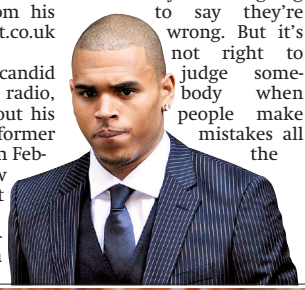

Cruise bites back

REBUTTAL Quotes from an actor saying that Tom Cruise made "constant unrelated homophobic comments" long ago circulated this week. Cruise's rep responded today, telling EW, "Obviously, this is so far removed from who Tom Cruise is as a person, this must have been said in jest."

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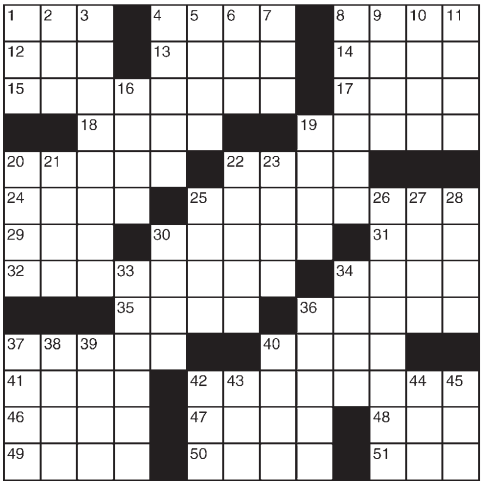

ACROSS

1 Curved line
4 Sheltered
8 Use as an example
12 "Phooey!"
13 Folder's locale
14 Hebrew month
15 Workers' jargon
17 "West Side Story" gang
18 Loading site
19 Friars Club event
20 Shocking weapon
22 False god
24 Responsibility
25 Accelerator
29 Inseparable
30 Suggest as a theory
31 Bat stat
32 Company's promotional souvenir, often
34 Versifier
35 Smacks
36 Profundity
37 Wild
40 High point
41 Racetrack shape
42 Curbside octagon
46 Krupa or Simmons
47 Woody's son
48 One of the brass (Abbr.)
49 Fit of peevishness
50 Beer ingredient
51 Trivia whiz Jennings

DOWN

1 Tummy muscles
2 "Go team!"
3 Chinese entree
4 Following
5 Storyteller
6 Building wing
7 "A mouse!"
8 Wheedle
9 Thought
10 Body artworks, for short
11 Once, old-style
16 Slapstick arsenal
19 Engrossed
20 Snatched
21 Actress Hathaway
22 Foundation
23 A — apple
25 Capricorn
26 Gridiron ploy
27 Help a hood
28 Rock (Suff.)
30 Dr. McGraw
33 Home in the Alps
34 Carrots' mates
36 Station
37 Clouds (up)
38 Squared
39 Hindu princess
40 Survey
42 Muppet eagle
43 La-la lead-in
44 "Gosh!"
45 — compos mentis

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

	9		2		8		4	
4			5		1			8
	6			7			5	
		6				9		
5	3						7	1
		8				4		
	8			2			1	
1			4		3			6
	7		8		6		2	

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

2	6	3	5	8	7	1	4	9
7	9	1	2	6	4	3	8	5
8	5	4	9	3	1	7	2	6
1	2	8	4	9	3	5	6	7
3	7	6	1	2	5	4	9	8
5	4	9	6	7	8	2	1	3
6	8	5	7	1	2	9	3	4
4	3	2	8	5	9	6	7	1
9	1	7	3	4	6	8	5	2

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Metro Recipe of the Day

Garlic Lime Chicken

INGREDIENTS:

1/2 cup (125 ml) lime juice
1/4 cup (50 ml) cider vinegar
6 garlic cloves, minced
2 tbsp (25 ml) minced fresh oregano or 2 tsp (10 ml) dried oregano
1 tbsp (15 ml) dried coriander
2 tsp (10 ml) pepper
1 tsp (5 l) salt
1 tsp (5 l) paprika
8 bone-in chicken breast halves
1/4 cup (50 ml) canola oil

METHOD:

1. In large resealable plastic bag, combine lime juice, vinegar, garlic and seasonings; add chicken. Seal bag and turn to coat; refrigerate for 8 hours or overnight.
2. Discard marinade. In skillet, brown chicken on all sides in oil. Transfer to greased 15-in. x 10-in. x 1-in. (38 cm x 25.5 cm x 2.5 cm) baking pan. Bake, uncovered, at 375 F (190 C) 30-35 minutes or until meat thermometer reads 170 F (77 C) and juices run clear.

SERVES 8

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
This is a time of personal and professional challenges and what you decide over the next few days will have consequences.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
With the Sun about to enter your opposite sign of Scorpio, a certain amount of resistance is to be expected in the weeks ahead.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Find ways to make life easier for yourself. If you don't you could come under increasing pressure over the next few days as your workload increases.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
The Sun moves into the most dynamic area of your chart today, making this one of the best times of the year to stretch yourself creatively.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You need to be more sensitive to loved ones' wishes. Try to understand why they think and feel and act the way they do.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
The pace of life is about to move up a gear. No doubt you are raring to get started on all those big ideas but pace yourself.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
The Sun moves into the area of your chart today that governs what you own. You need to think about consolidating what you have gained.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
The Sun moves into your birth sign today and a busy new solar year begins. Don't worry if your energy levels are a bit low at the moment.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
You are not always as confident as you look and there are reasons to believe you have come close to cracking of late, but you are still in there fighting.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
If you need help of any kind today just ask those around you. What you do with other people will go a lot better than what you do on your own.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Cosmic activity in and around the career area of your chart will do your reputation a power of good over the next few days.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Your number one objective now must be to maintain the highest standards of behavior, both in your personal life and in your work.

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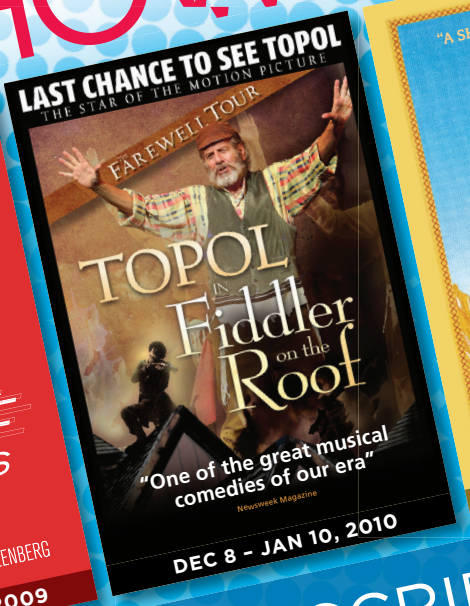

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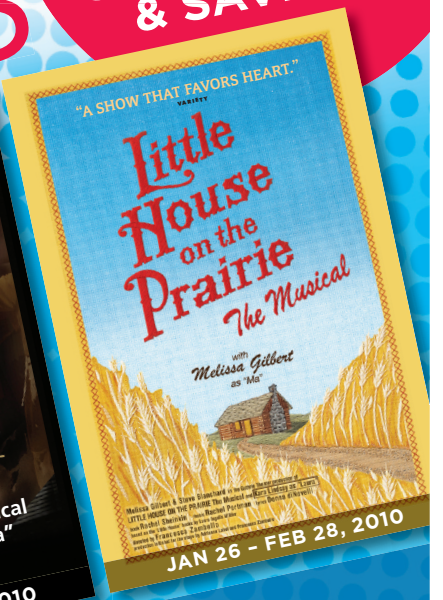

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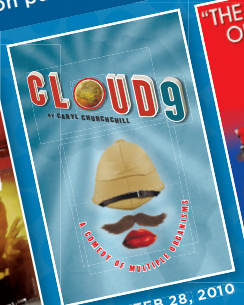

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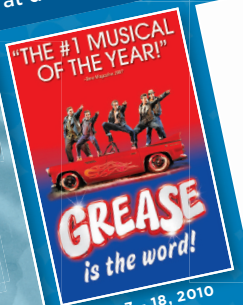

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